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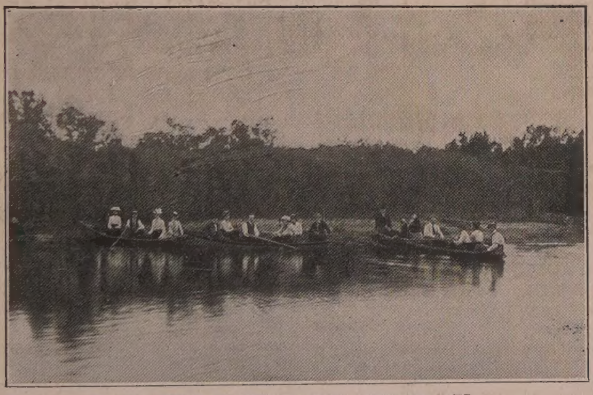

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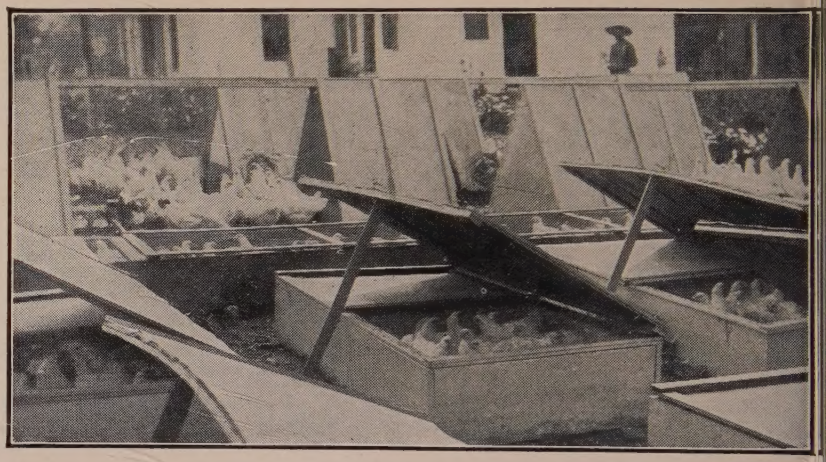

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Yours truly, R. S. LaRue.

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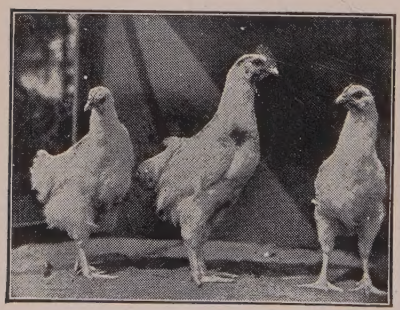
Yours truly, C. H. Leach.



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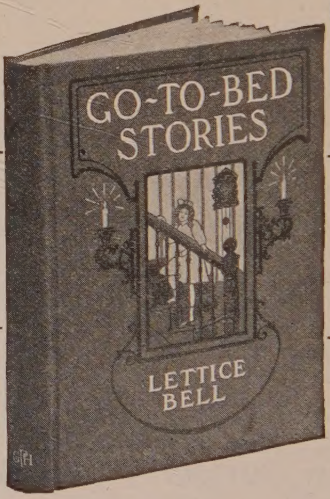

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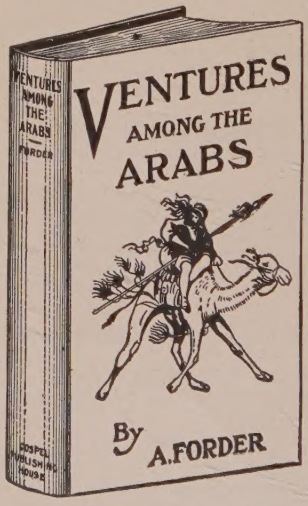

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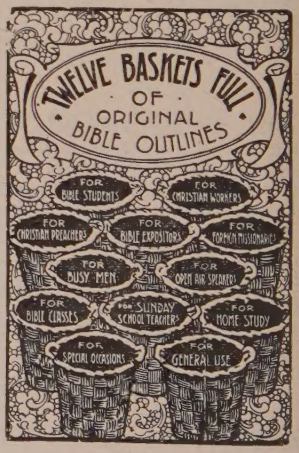

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Do not forget that THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY and the *Missionary Herald* will both be sent to the same address for a one-dollar bill. Either magazine will receive and forward such subscriptions.

It is an extremely gratifying thing that the Home Missionary Society, the American Missionary Association, and the American Board, whose fiscal years have all closed within the last few months, have been able to report in each case a small balance of receipts over expenditures. It is to be anticipated that some reaction from the "Together" Campaign may still be felt, but it is gratifying that thus far there are no signs of it in sight.

A very important step under consideration by our seven missionary societies and the women's organizations, for more than a year past, seems likely to issue in definite action very soon. It is the creation of a joint committee cultivating missionary interest among young people and children. By such an arrangement, a single secretary or superintendent could lay out a comprehensive plan of study and gifts, and have oversight of the whole matter, thus decreasing the labor and expense of the different societies and adding greatly to their effectiveness in this department.

We ask our readers to read carefully the advertisements in this magazine. We aim to admit none except those of reliable firms. Mr. Dooley expresses the hope that some day he may find a magazine composed wholly of advertising. We are not attempting to fulfill his hope, but desire to print a line of advertising sufficiently large to help carry the expense of the magazine. Our readers can help in this matter.

We were aware that the contents of THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY have unusual merit, but did not realize our artistic standing until we received a letter from the editor of *The Printing Art*, published by the University Press, of Cambridge, Massachusetts, from which the following is an extract:

The excellent design used on your issue of September, 1909, cover of THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY has attracted my attention. If you will send plate of this to us, we will make a complimentary exhibit of it. By an early mail you will receive a copy of the August issue, in which you will find exhibits beginning on page 361. Your cover design will be included in this department.

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FROM ELGIN

By Superintendent George R. Merrill, D.D., of Minnesota

A perfect October day in the Middle West, a modern church plant with a room for everything, fitly placarded, a smiling welcome at the registry table, bright-faced pages to guide delegates to Elgin's hospitable homes—these all made a "good ready" for Wednesday evening, with its royal welcome from Dr. Morgan, and President Mills's response, felicitous as always, the "Te Deum" from the great chorus, and "Exhibit A," that carried the vision across the northern field from Minnesota through North Dakota, Montana, and Wyoming, to Northern California. The new note was so pronounced and what the President aptly called "the beckonings of Providence" so clear and thrilling that the Doxology seemed the only proper thing.

A Great Day

With the newcomers by the night trains, the representation had become complete. It is noted as not as large in numbers, especially from the East, as in some years, probably on account of the next week's great gathering in Minneapolis, but in representative character and enthusiasm it already shows itself a record meeting. The morning prayer for grace to see "the divineness of the commonplace," "the opportunity of dull and unpromising conditions," and the sense that the work is the Lord's and the workers are to be sent of Him, brought everybody in turn to "Exhibit B," in which the superintendents from Iowa, Nebraska, New Hampshire, Connecticut, and Georgia laid out especially the rural problem which each presents. Connecticut affirmed for all, "Let the church live for the community, and it will live from the community." Nebraska had as a specimen a church with a whole county to itself, multiplied twelvefold in a year, reaching self-support, and, unaided, building a new house of worship. Georgia had the significant word that "the acute problem of the South can be solved only by the thorough Christianizing of *both* white and black that they may live together in love."

After the Hour of Prayer, the related organizations came to the fore. Dr. Richards, of the Church Building Society, with fit words of introduction, put forward a series of grateful testimonials from men at the front who witnessed that "the church building is not the scabbard for the sword, but the stem of the plant," "every church building provided is a power house of spiritual energy," "a church without a building is no better than an egg without a shell: the more you brood over it, the worse it is." Dr. Paul Douglass,

in presenting the greetings of the American Missionary Association, with its distinctive work of "Missions at Home," brought the good news that its year had closed with receipts increased $18,000 over last year, the debt removed, and $500 in the treasury.

Thursday Afternoon

A house well filled and keen to hear greeted the presentation of the closely related demands of the foreign-speaking peoples and the cities where they are so largely massed. Representative German, Swedish, Bohemian, and Polish missionaries voiced, to a rising tide of enthusiasm, each the need and opportunity of his own people, while presenting in himself a splendid illustration of it. Dr. H. N. Hoyt, of Massachusetts, and speakers from the floor, showed in our land the fining-pot to which the nations are being led; the burning question whether the Americanizing of the world shall be the Christianizing of the world; Chicago's longest street, on which fifty languages are spoken and where the evangelization of one end would give missionaries for all the world, and the other end evangelized would provide money enough to send them. A general feeling of regret found utterance that so good a book as "Aliens or Americans?" should have so poor a title.

New York, Chicago, and the new steel city of Gary set forth by their representatives the imperative call of the city and the large and sure returns from work waiting to be done.

Between the two phases of the one appeal, Dr. E. P. Hill, of McCormick Seminary, set forth opportunely and wisely the outlook for coöperation. Discussion was to follow, but President Mills rightly sensed the temper of the assembly when instead he called it to prayer.

The evening service fitly crowned a great day. Dr. W. L. Phillips, of Connecticut, with the assurance of one who knows, in reverent and glowing tribute did honor to the ideals of piety and patriotism that were fundamental in the early history of the Society, and put the glory of the founders that they builded churches, not as exponents of creed or sect, but as the adequate exponents of the Kingdom of God; schools that Christianity might be intelligent; and an empire in the spirit of piety and patriotism.

President Mills, confronting "The Task That Is before Us," found its fourfold imperative: No more debt, but adequate resources; prove the worth of your investments at every step; rise to the measure of opportunity; demonstrate anew the reality of faith and patriotism. In words that searched while they thrilled, he called for vision in the name and stead of Christ, of something of the greatness of America in the making of His Kingdom; of the secret of saving America—which is to save the American man; of the Gospel as the only agency for its accomplishment; and the magnificent heritage that is ours. For both the vision and its realization we must exalt the Church as the channel through which to work.

Friday

Friday, the day of business, did not fall behind in numbers or enthusiasm. The Woman's Federation came from its separate session, by its President, Mrs. B. W. Firman, and chosen representatives, to crowd an hour with good things.

The Directors' report, presented by the General Secretary, with its solemn commemoration of the year's crowned ones, its prevailing accent on the new note, with its serious sense of the responsibility of deliverance, and its statesmanlike outline of policy that should wisely combine local responsibility and closest federation for mutual helpfulness, met the most hearty welcome and approval. The assurance was freely expressed that, with the old officers re-

elected and standing on such a platform, the greatest things are before us.

This letter closes to reach the present issue of the magazine, with two meetings yet to come, the speakers of which are a guaranty that they will not fall below the standard of what is confessedly a meeting of the highest level given in the history of the Society.

THE TREASURY

Comparative Statement, First Six Months of Fiscal Year, Ending September 30th

By the Associate Secretary

	Contributions	Interest	Legacies	Total
1908	$45,724.46	$7,388.03	$38,411.62	$91,524.11
1909	50,436.31	6,810.97	54,145.16	111,392.44
Increase	$4,711.85		$15,733.54	$19,868.33
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September Receipts				
1908	$4,919.08	$528.89	$2,178.46	$7,626.43
1909	8,013.24	657.77	3,643.04	12,314.05
Increase	$3,094.16	$128.88	$1,464.58	$4,687.62
Decrease				

The first half of our fiscal year has passed, and in addition to generous gifts to the Joint Campaign Fund, contributions have increased steadily during the year as compared with the previous year. Our total receipts are over $19,000 in excess of the receipts during the same period last year.

We are very grateful to our friends who responded so promptly by personal contributions during the latter half of September, nearly two hundred such contributions being received. If this same interest is kept up for the next six months we will be able to close our books free from all indebtedness. We hope and pray for this result.

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE THE PRESIDENT OF OUR NATIONAL FEDERATION

By Mrs. B. W. Firman, Oak Park, Ill.

ONE day in June, 1905, in a hotel parlor in Springfield, Massachusetts, there was revealed to me, in a swift moment, a vision of what it was going to mean to be the president of the newly organized Federation with the long name. All the dear domestic delights of private life seemed to recede, and I saw Responsibility (with a capital letter) loom up before me; "journeyings often," "perils in the city, perils in the wilderness," and, to incorrectly quote, "besides those things which are without, that which should come upon me daily, the care of all"—home missionary societies! These foreshadowings, with a most helpless feeling of being inadequate to the situation, did not shed a very cheerful glow upon the prospect of what it was going to mean to be the Federation president.

The past four years have brought me all that I feared, and more; more of the feeling of responsibility (which I am now able to spell with a small "r"), but more also than I had anticipated of joy and satisfaction. For

MRS. B. W. FIRMAN

the physical discomforts and personal sacrifices involved in the "journeyings and perils," I ask no sympathy and deserve none. The compensations arising from my varied experiences have almost invariably overbalanced the "weariness and painfulness."

Attendance upon public meetings from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from Puget Sound to Florida, in the capacity of Federation president, has given the opportunity for many visits to mission fields in various parts of the land. While I have tried, on all occasions, to remember my destination and primary purpose in the long journeyings, still I am free to admit that the most interesting, and often, I believe, the most profitable part of the work has not been done from any platform, but in the tarryings by the way; heart-to-heart talks with tried workers in out-of-the-way places; in extending, in the name of the Congregational women of the Homeland, the glad hand to all who need it; taking an interest in all kinds of people in all kinds of places. To be president of the Federation means also a most varied kind of correspondence, proceeding from the idea that the office represents a friend at large, who ought to be able to answer every impossible kind of request arising in connection with Home Missions. This does not refer to those of our own constituency, from whom the president of any organization is always happy to hear; neither does it refer to the interesting correspondence with our national secretaries, those real people who are not, as we sometimes think, simply names on letterheads. To be president of the Federation means the frequent receipt of letters which are not of the waste basket variety, and the wonder grows as to whom many of said letters could have been sent had there never been any centralization.

Since our organization, we have been called upon to participate in broad interdenominational innovations with the women of other denominations. The especial tax upon the strength of mind and body for duties of this nature has been wonderfully compensated by the pleasure and profit of contact with leaders of other women's organizations, who are trying to solve the same problems that we are.

Someone with a broad vision should write an article on what it ought to mean to be president of the Federation in the future years. It must mean very much more sometime. Our work has hardly begun. God grant to all of us widsom to make the Federation the greatest possible help to Him in bringing in the Kingdom in the Homeland!

SOME LITTLE MISSIONARIES

FROM THE EAST AND WEST

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE PRESIDENT OF A UNION

By Mrs. C. R. Wilson, Detroit, Mich.

IN a spirit of deep humility the writer consents to say a few words upon this subject. At the outset, let her state that she feels so keenly how far below the aim she would gladly have attained, lies the mark she really has reached, that she undertakes this article with much hesitation. Perhaps it were wiser, in view of this feeling, to consider the subject under a slightly different head, and put it this way: "What it *ought* to mean to be president of a Union."

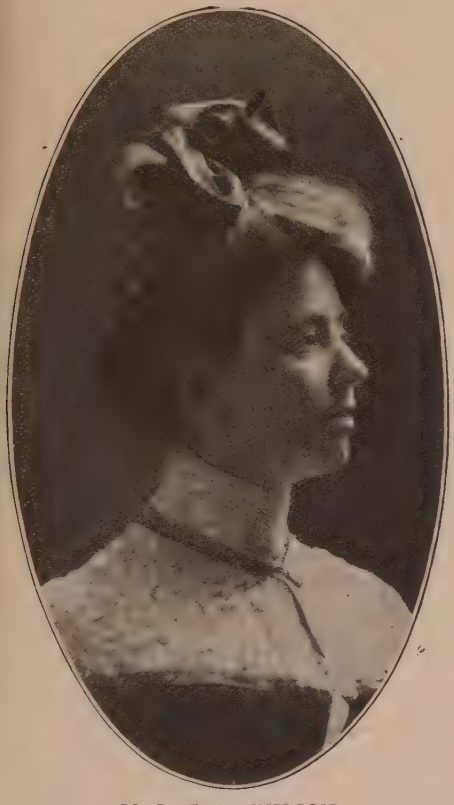
It would seem that every Christian woman should ask herself, "How may I serve my Master and His Church?" She should not accept more work than she can reasonably expect to do well; she should feel herself congenial to the work she undertakes, and be sure she makes this particular service her *choice* when she consents to enter upon obligations so sacred as an officer in an organization which has for its object so vast a concern as the upbuilding of God's Kingdom. If duty calls her to be president of a Union, she should give her best endeavor to that task.

She should by all means cultivate *love* for her work. One of His ministers has said, "The peace of God is the peace of perfect love. My restlessness is the restlessness of a self-centered life, overdesirous for itself, too eager for self-fulfillment and self-satisfaction. But in the heart of God love broods eternal, and all the outgoing of His thoughts is the outgoing of sustained and sacrificial love." So she should let her attitude to this work be one of unselfish love. Coupled to this, she should add a devout zeal and a holy enthusiasm, in order that she may help to imbue others with the same spirit. And, while drawing her inspiration for her work from the deep well-springs of the soul, realizing her union with God as His co-laborer, she must not forget to be wholly practical.

The degree in which a state president assumes responsibility for her organization depends, in the first place, upon the constitution under which she and they work. In these days when parliamentary practice is being understood and observed by women, she should first of all be sure of a right attitude toward her fellow-workers. Any usurpation of authority is apt to entail criticism, while a true appreciation of just what is expected of an officer, and a conscientious endeavor to discharge the duties belonging to her office, will inspire confidence and enlist coöperation. In the constitution of the particular society to which the writer belongs, her duties are defined thus: "She shall have the general oversight of the affairs of this corporation." We presume most of our state societies expect as much of their first officers.

A president, as the word implies, should have executive ability. This signifies the power to direct affairs. It were folly for any woman to attempt to carry all the burden of the missionary interests of the women of a state alone, and she who can best work in harmony with a corps of well chosen fellow-officers, counseling with them frequently, guiding them discreetly, sympathizing with them always, deferring to their judgment, rather than dictating too often, will be of greatest service to her Union. The importance of this work should carry with it such an imperative obligation as will relegate to after consideration all relationships less sacred. But this should come second to the duties of one's household, which ought to be paramount. The prayer she should daily offer might

well be this: "Dear Father, let not Thy work suffer through any mistake or delay of mine; show me my duty and teach me how to do it well."



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One of the first requisites of a Union is, that it shall be well organized. Every state should have a district arrangement, with a responsible woman at the head of each district, who shall be a connecting link between the president and the local auxiliaries in her territory. Intercommunication between these various agencies should be frequent. At least two meetings should occur annually in each of these districts (or associations, as they are termed in many states), where the women of that particular section may plan for the extension of their work. The president should let her personal friendship and interest be felt by the remotest auxiliary, so that the women of no church shall feel isolated from all the others. In many cases, she must act as field secretary, where the Union has no such representative, but care should always be used not to divert from the treasury too large a precentage of funds for administration. It is remarkable how much may really be accomplished by letters, if the personal element is emphasized and a cordial good will manifested in the tone of the letter.

Optimism should be one of the characteristics of a true leader. Wisdom and tact also deserve a very large place in her make-up.

A wise president will feel the need of frequent executive meetings, when she may share responsibility with her co-laborers, and gather to herself encouragement from the feeling of mutual helpfulness and dependence.

Too much stress cannot be laid upon the annual meetings. It is one of the strongest levers she has. The program should be the choicest; the spirit of the meeting exalted by prayer and praise and spiritual meditations; the addresses informing; the topics up to date; the management businesslike. An impartial hearing should be given all our national homeland societies in turn, and the needs of all branches of home mission work carefully considered, so that gifts may be directed wisely.

It need hardly be said that the president should keep herself well informed. Missionary literature should find a large place in her reading. She will avail herself of the privilege of personal acquaintance with the officers of national societies so far as possible, and particularly with the missionaries themselves. To these latter it will be a joy to offer the hospitality of her own roof, for from no other source can she gain so clear a vision of how eminently worth while is the work in which she and they are engaged. As a factor in the National Federation of State Organizations

she should adequately and truly be the representative of her own state, consenting to give, as she may, her share of help in this bond of sister states, and receiving in return ideas for the furthering of her own state's efficiency. While patriotism, love of country, should be a passion with her, her sympathy should be so broad as to reach beyond the confines of America, even to the uttermost parts of the earth.

And lastly, a President should know when to relinquish her work. When initiative and impulse lapse, when the work grows irksome because she feels she has exhausted her best powers, let her be wise enough to realize that some other woman, with fresh ideas and new enthusiasms, and, perhaps, a different point of view, will probably fill the place she has loved so well quite as acceptably as she. Let her yield her position, realizing that she is the richer for her contact with such an enterprise and that it will ever be a real part of herself, even though relationships change. And when her term of service is past, even though conscious of many shortcomings, of her human limitations, and the ever receding realization of her ideals, her heart can have only a feeling of gratitude for an experience which she can but feel has been God-directed, and, therefore, fruitful. With the poet she believes:

"To do is to succeed. Our fight
Is waged in Heaven's approving sight.
The smile of God is victory!"

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE PRESIDENT OF AN ALLIANCE

By Mrs. Alice G. West, Worcester, Mass.

THE president of an Alliance holds a triangular position. On one side it looks out upon large power and opportunity; on another side it faces obstinate opposition; on the remaining side it borders the land of "innocuous desuetude." Toward this third side of her triangle looks the woman who accepts the office simply because to accept it is to follow the path of least resistance, or because she imagines in her ignorance that to be a president means simply to preside at an occasional public meeting which a faithful program committee will engineer. Woe betide the Alliance burdened with this type of a chief officer.

The conscientious, president turns her back squarely on this negative view of her official responsibility, and so faces, as of necessity in a triangle, the point where the other two sides meet, both sides in plain view at one and the same time, opposition and opportunity. The opposition comes from half-hearted and reluctant women who dread the claims of an additional organization, and from the "free lance" people who object to any claim whatever upon denominational loyalty.

But while the opposition is twofold, the opportunity is at least threefold. First, the privilege the office gives an earnest woman to approach the leader of any society in her denomination and district, to use personal influence toward definite end. Second, the open door it gives her into every auxiliary in her Alliance, with her word of suggestion as to method and aims. And last, but not least, the unbounded opportunity of the public meetings of the Alliance, when, not only in preliminary committee conference, but even more on the public platform, the president of the Alliance has absolute freedom to influence and inspire to the best of her ability the most faithful and consecrated women of her district.

SERVING ON AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

By Mrs. B. F. Hamilton, Roxbury, Mass.

THE idea may prevail that service on an executive board is an easy task, involving only a moderate amount of time and ordinary gifts. It is no doubt true that the failure of such an officer to adequately meet the demands of her position is not such a spectacular disaster as it would appear in a president, secretary, or treasurer of a corporate body; but, considering the inefficiency which results from neglect to seize an opportunity, or failure to take the tide which leads on to fortune, not one of the important officers named can make more paralyzing conditions. Let us glance at some essentials to success in a member of the executive board of a woman's home missionary society, as they are suggested by long experience in that work.

1. As such boards are usually to a certain extent self-perpetuating, so a wide knowledge of available workers is important. Representative women are needed; those who are fitted for leadership in their respective neighborhoods; women who can inspire enthusiasm and can give it intelligent direction into right channels of service.

2. Acquaintance with the personality of the various missionary teachers and preachers is demanded. To one such worker, because of her own generous nature, her service includes being the close friend, medical adviser, pastor, Sunday-school teacher, Bible reader, and social worker, as well as intellectual guide of her pupils. Such an one needs to be warned to care for her own health and conserve energies in danger of being too rapidly depleted. Another takes a more restricted view of obligation, sees her own needs in exaggerated proportions, ignoring vital demands in other parts of the field. A comprehension of the point of view of our various correspondents is essential to a just estimate of conditions.

3. An ardent sympathy with the work to be done, with its roots in up-to-date acquaintance with conditions in the home field, is a necessity. In these days of rapid change this means constant study of current events.

4. An unswerving loyalty to the societies toward the support of whose work we stand pledged, is indispensable. Nothing helps a state organization to a broad understanding of the importance of this, like assuming a definite pledge. In the effort to influence auxiliaries to systematic, dependable giving to regular denominational work, one's eyes are opened to the anxieties of the national societies, whose budgets contain only the absolutely indispensable appropriations demanded by the work in hand, and whose powers are crippled by every erratic gift to independent, unendorsed projects. It is a matter of education to see as one does from the inside, the weakening effect of impulsive benevolence, as compared with loyal support of carefully supervised work which bears the endorsement of wise officials.

5. The equipment of an executive officer should include a strong faith in the value of the work undertaken, and also in the people who are doing it. Confidence begets confidence. Not only does faith in our constituents deepen their trust in those who are leading, but it gives them confidence in themselves as well. The feeling of each small society that it is needed to bear its share of the great burden of responsibility, and that it is being depended upon for that share, gives dignity and importance to individual service, and creats a reliable constituency.

6. A clear vision of the victory sure to crown the struggle against sin and ignorance, exalts our service at every step of the way. The note of advance ought constantly to be sounded. In face of new difficulties, old methods may be inadequate, so initiative is a quality most valuable in a director. Vision gives not only zeal for the present, but a confident look forward to a grander future. Just now the board of which I am a member is rejoicing in the receipt of certain legacies which will greatly increase its efficiency. Some of the givers are unknown to the present board. Their interest must have been awakened by former members whose look forward made this present day richer. Our responsibility reaches into the future, and only as we meet that demand are we really faithful in our own day and generation.

Service on such a board involves generous gifts of time out of busy lives, for those chosen for this broad work are almost universally those who have been previously committed to leadership in the local churches, and they in turn are the picked ones who have shown competence in home and neighborhood affairs.

But after a dozen years of such service, I can heartily testify that the compensations for such expenditure are adequate. Is there any grander foundation for exalted friendship than association in Christian service, or any more satisfying work than doing one's best to leave the world a bit better because of her share in its life?

One of our missionaries in South Dakota is in need of a fur coat. His old one is completely worn out, and he does not feel that he can afford to buy a new one. Whoever has driven across Dakota plains in zero weather will realize his need. If any of our readers have a fur coat which they wish to give to a good cause, will they please correspond with our Woman's Department?

At a largely attended Roman Catholic Church Extension Congress, held in Chicago, a delegate is reported to have declared, "We have Protestantism on the run, and we must complete the triumph by establishing Roman Catholic churches throughout the West."

THE WESTERN PLAINS IN WINTER

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE THE PRESIDENT OF A CITY AUXILIARY

By Mrs. Williston Walker, New Haven, Conn.

AT first, when asked the above question, I said, "why city auxiliary? Are not the difficulties much the same in city or country? Isn't there just as much indifference? Aren't there as many social questions, even though the problems are differently dressed? Are not the elements which make up the city auxiliary of the same character as those which make up the one in the country? And is not the same sort of leadership required—tact, executive ability, enthusiasm, and that most uncommon of gifts, common sense?"

Human nature is the same in city or country, and in a general way the difficulties of conducting a home missionary society successfully are quite as great whatever the environment. Nevertheless, there is one important point of variance. In the country, indifference to the work of the church is largely due to apathy, I fancy, and in the city it is more usually caused by the distractions of city life. The women of our city churches have so many things to do that are interesting, attractive, and profitable, that it is hard to get a clear vision of what is best. Many, very many, become involved in mere pleasuring. They do not hesitate to tell you that with motoring and bridge they've no time for the missionary society. "Motoring is so healthful!" "Bridge stimulates your brain! One is so out of it, you know, if one doesn't play. And then one must play enough to play well, or one doesn't wish to play with you, and that is so unkind to your partners." "Of course, my dear lady, I wish I were as much interested in church affairs as you are, but I am afraid I am not as good, and then I do love my friends, and we all whirl around in this social way, you know. Why, I don't get time enough for reading. But you mustn't think I am quite frivolous. You know I'm on the Hospital Board, and I'm collecting for a table for the fair of the United Charities, and I'm tremendously interested in the Civic Club." "Really, you know, you must admit the home missionary society is rather deadly. It is only the painfully pious who attend. Well, I'll except a few perhaps, to be polite, but those few one can meet more happily elsewhere. Mrs. Ainsworth is a love; she has a stronger sense of duty than I have. Mrs. Jenkins is well enough, but you know perfectly well she goes to get in with Mrs. Ainsworth, who is the ladder by which she hopes to rise. Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Farnsworth are saints, but they are too good to be true, and you can't fancy them caring for bridge. They are the kind of dear old ladies who love such stupid things as missionary societies. As for Miss Ames and the others of that kind, you know it is all the social life they get, and you cannot pretend that it is interesting to hear them talk on the Blacks or the Whites or even the Reds."

Now there are a great many women in our city churches who might

talk somewhat after this fashion, I fancy, and who think themselves, if not convincing, at least plausible. Their aims and occupations in life would vary with the individuals, and very often women frankly declare that they are more interested in philanthropic work than work which they would say is narrowed by the limits of a denominational belief. Certainly, philanthropy is well; but philanthropy is not Christianity necessarily, and home missions means Christianity. If one belongs to a Christian church, one must believe that to send the message of the Gospel to human creatures is the highest type of service. To better social conditions is good as far as it goes, but it falls short. Christianity embraces both body and soul.

Again, the faithful attendants upon the missionary society are themselves often much at fault in the matter of attracting other women to an interest in these matters. They have frequently too much of the manner of its being a dreary duty. They say sadly, and with rather the air of martyrs, "No, I can't go to Miss Smith's tea; I usually go to the missionary society." And the friend responds, "Ah, how good you are! I'm afraid I'm not as good as you are; I go to the teas." And then lady Number One smiles and looks virtuous, and feels more so; and lady Number Two is more than ever confirmed in the thought that "to be good is to be happy but not to have a good time." Again we mothers are often to blame for thinking that our daughters cannot be expected to be interested in home missions. "The dear girls have so many things to do, and we must not ask them to be too serious, you know." Now, we ought to expect them to be serious. The work of our churches is theirs as well as ours, and if their bright young heads and hearts become interested in the work for our land, much of the dreariness of home missionary endeavor will vanish.

All these things, however, make the leadership of a city auxiliary difficult. To interest women of various social circles and tastes and acquirements, to make them work harmoniously, and to inspire them with the feeling of responsibility for the most important branch of our church service, is no small labor. And this leads us to say that it seems as if very serious and determined efforts will have to be made to rouse our church members to a sense of denominational loyalty and responsibility for the work we as Congregationalists have undertaken to do.

If one desires entertainment only, one can find it more easily and more truly than in attending missionary meetings; but, if one wishes to serve one's fellow-men or become intelligent and interested in the great moral problems in our country, there is no better way to reach these ends than by doing something for home missions and upholding the missionary society. Therefore, it seems to us that the missionary society in the city church should not seek to be entertaining, or to establish social relations between its members. It should be composed of women of the church of all classes and varied callings, not necessarily interested in each other, but in the great work of christianizing our land, and in the share which their church has in it. They should try to bring an intelligent mind to bear on the great questions involved: What can be done with the Negro, the Mountain White, the Indian, the Chinese, the miner, the lumberman, the ranchman, and the immigrant? These are serious matters, quite worth their study, and, if we believe in our church, we must believe that Christianity is the power which can solve all these questions, and that it is our part to take what our church gives us and pass it on to our countrymen. What better patriotism is there than this?

So it seems to us that the old "sewing society," which gathers women

together only for social gossip and friendly intercourse when they prepare the box for the missionary in the West, can hardly appeal to the women of our city churches who have their social interests largely outside the church. There must be a more serious purpose, that is, the study of home missions and the discussion of the best ways to make the work of our churches effective. We have learned that Civic Clubs and Consumers' Leagues may be interesting by reason of the importance of their object, even though the membership is composed of women from many different social circles. Would it not be wise to conduct our missionary societies on some such plan, that is, to have for their object the study of the moral and social problems of our country and a frank discussion of the way our churches should meet them? In addition, we should have addresses from the workers, the specialists in their various branches of service, to rouse our enthusiasm and make us feel the reality of the matters we investigate. Then, if our women can only realize their responsibility and feel to the depths of their hearts that the church to which they belong is really theirs, that this country is really theirs, and the work of Congregational Home Missions is the work God has given them to do for their land, there will be no difficulty in leading a city auxiliary.

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE PRESIDENT OF A COUNTRY AUXILIARY

By Mrs. Lewis Camfield, Academy, S. D.

OF country there is the "backwoods" kind—or the country just emerging from the pioneer state—and the country well-favored, long settled, boasting all "modern conveniences." Please bear in mind that the country auxiliary from which these experiences are gleaned, has its habitat twenty miles from a railway, amid widely scattered "quarter section" farms, with a central tiny village whose store and post office and blacksmith shop are of recent date, and where only a few years ago the coyotes made nightly raids on our watermelons "in season" on the land which afterward became the town site. To be sure, the telephone and rural free delivery are bringing us all nearer together and closer to the outside world, the automobile often rushes past, and there are vague rumors of a trolley line to come. But we are not like the towns that have celebrated their centennials—there are no extremes of wealth and poverty, there is little formality. Kindliness, hospitality, neighborliness, the constant interchange of favors and accommodations, all keep alive and nurture tenderheartedness and altruism, and so we *ought* to have a good soil for the cultivation of the love of missions.

To interest the most women in the church and neighborhood, to induce and maintain giving proportionate to their means, to prepare regular and

interesting programs, to preserve peace and unity in the society and the church, and to promote Christian service at home and abroad—these are some of the problems of the country leader.

To keep up the interest, our method (and we have tried others, but came back to this) has been to use a whole day in each month, to meet from house to house by invitation, to serve a good dinner to all comers, and to have a good missionary program of an hour's length in the afternoon.

The whole day is an attraction to the busy country housewives if it can come the last of the week, and if the babies can be brought. "Work is long, and time is fleeting," and there are few other opportunities to meet and visit. This is their club, their afternoon tea, their matinee, and it has no rivals. Of course, obstacles *will* occasionally intervene, insurmountable or otherwise. There is always the weather to reckon with, and a woman who drives her own team twelve miles to get here, while holding one baby in her lap and another by her side, must be reasonably sure it is not going to rain before her return. Bad weather excuses the absence of anyone except the president. She goes anyway. She has been present when a chaotic atmosphere evolved a baby blizzard and the road home was only visible under the buggy tongue; and when an icy glare covered the earth and the patient nag made gingerly progress, mostly forward but inch by inch; and when the Dakota zephyrs had piled the snow in big drifts, or filled a lane with Russian thistles. But I must not digress. There is the woman whose wifely devotion is so beyond compare that she refuses to leave her husband to eat a cold dinner; or, per contra, the one whose husband has ruthlessly chosen that particular day to end the earthly career of a fat porker, and she must take care of the meat and lard; or the one who must bake or wash; or the one who has a chance to go to the railway town and trade; or the one whose horse leads her a fruitless chase around the pasture, or who is afraid to drive a frisky team over the hills; or the one who forgets the date and did not attend church the previous Sunday. But not all these contretemps happen the same day.

And then the dinner! Discussion has waxed and waned in regard thereto. Should it be simple or profuse? Should it be so abundant that the society could be accused of "living to eat," or at least of going to eat, or should it be so plain that no special temptation is attached to its frugal board? Would it not be singularly unfitting that a society organized to help meet the world's great need—the need of the sick and sorrowful, yes, and hungry—should have meals that were feastlike? On the other hand, in this country life, where, whatever other privations exist, there is plenty to eat, would it not be foolish for a company of women to meet together for work, not being entertained at the same house oftener than once a year, and pretend to enjoy a scanty meal? We really are trying to preserve a happy medium, though when two hostesses unite in serving, it is difficult to subdue the multiplication of viands.

The program needs much thought and planning. About a dozen copies of THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY and the same of *Mission Studies* are taken in our circle, but the magazines often lie unread in the homes, from stress of household duties. Reference books are scarce, original research out of the question. And so it has seemed wiser for us to choose the most striking articles on home and foreign work and read them aloud, instead of trying to have papers prepared. For roll call we select missionary items, Scripture verses, bits of helpful poetry, or maxims from good authors. And nothing refreshes us like the season of prayer, when, on our knees to-

gether, we become a band of sisters before the Father, forgetting hard feelings and rankling thoughts, making new resolutions, rising into a clearer atmosphere, ready to begin life over again, to be kind and loving and true.

But the missionary spirit is tested by the pocketbook. Our dues are cheerfully paid, our apportionment is triumphantly reached, even the expense fund has finally achieved tolerance, but "the good is enemy of the best," and we *could* do so much more. As our crops improve, our thank offering increases, but we are yet far from the goal I long for. That is one of my trials—the tight purse strings. And so my triumphs do not loom large before me, and yet, looking back over the eighteen years, I rejoice in progress made. Of our thirty-four lady church members, all but six belong to our missionary society, and of these six, two are teachers, and two are invalids. Six ladies who are not church members also belong to us, and half a dozen more occasionally attend meetings, and—I have my hopes. Our apportionment has climbed from ten dollars a year to sixty-four. Our horizon is wider, our interest deeper. Our days together, year after year, have brought us to bear with one another more, to minimize our differences, and to avoid quarrels. Our missionary reading and study has given us—I hope *all* of us—a spirit of service, a longing to help those who go to the hard places of the earth to bring more quickly His Kingdom. I cherish my country auxiliary—I would not change places with the city leader.

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE THE WIFE OF A HOME MISSIONARY SUPERINTENDENT

By One Who Is

"TO marry a minister is bad enough," wrote a college classmate, "but to marry one who has a whole state for a parish! How do you dare?" But then she did not know *my* home missionary superintendent, nor did she know how daring I had become since the days when we dreamed together of post graduate courses and Ph.D.'s.

I am not sure, however, but that, whenever the wife of a home missionary superintendent "makes good," she deserves a degree of some sort even though she has not received it in orthodox fashion from some university. If necessary ability to deal with diversity of duties counts for aught, then she deserves some credit, for she must look well to the running of the household machinery, with or without the help of a maid, that there may be no jar to disturb the weary superintendent when by chance there may come a little resting time; she must be mother and playmate for the children and make up to some extent for the loss of the father during his frequent absences; she must be equally able to preside at a missionary meeting or to act as hostess at a reception; and, if by chance she has even a little knowledge of the mysteries of shorthand and the art of typewriting, her talent will not lie unused. As I more fully understand the varied duties which thrust themselves upon a home missionary superintendent's wife, I confess that I wonder at my own daring at having attempted it.

Of course the greatest disadvantage in the life is the frequent and long continued absences which a large field makes necessary for the superintendent. If I chose, I could let myself be quite miserable during the long

evenings alone and the longer Sabbaths, when even the two lively small boys are not quite compensation for the absence of their father. But then when I do have him, I have him all the time, for, fortunately for me, the office is in our home and I can at least see to the daily dusting of the desk, sort the correspondence, and know a little of what is being done in the affairs of state.

I have arrived at the conclusion that it is not at all wise to set one's heart too decidedly on accomplishing any definite object. Instead, I have discovered that it is wisest to expect the unexpected. One is never quite sure in the morning what the day may bring. It may be some sudden emergency or several emergencies all at once in the correspondence, when the houeshold machinery must be stopped and the entire office force set to work that the letters may be finished before train time. Or it may be the unexpected guest whose coming may tax one's ingenuity and the resources of the emergency shelf of the pantry to the utmost. But this very unexpectedness gives a spice to life that would be impossible to find elsewhere and relaxes a little from the continuous burden bearing and problem solving.

I sometimes think that the most important room in our home, aside from the office, is the guest chamber, and there are times when not only the guest chamber has its full quota, but every available corner and couch is pressed into service for the comfort of our guests. Sometimes it has been someone whose name is known far beyond state borders, or again some home missionary pastor to whom the price of a night's lodging and breakfast may be a part of the problem of living on a small salary. Not infrequently it has been an entire family. Sometimes it is the state home missionary board and then it is like preparing for a Thanksgiving family reunion. After such a gathering one has profound respect for the ability of the board to do things, not only in trying to make one dollar do the work of two, but in making way with sandwiches, doughnuts, "rocks," and coffee which have been provided for refreshment, if the deliberations make necessary an all night session, as has been the case frequently.

I never expect to experience the sensations which might come to me if I were suddenly to discover myself rich. I gave up all possibility of this when I married a minister. But possibly I approach it somewhat when I begin on the task of unpacking a home missionary box and of sorting and repacking it for some of our home missionary pastors. If by chance it is full of good things—dainty baby clothes, well-made clothing for the lively young folks of some parsonage, which will lighten the burden of sewing for the busy mother, bedding and table linen which would delight the heart of any housekeeper, warm underwear, an up-to-date book or two, a bit of fun in the form of a new game—then I fairly revel in it and enjoy to the full again my childhood game of "playing rich." If at times the task is somewhat different, I try to make the most of the assets in doing a little here and there to meet the needs of our home missionaries and their families.

While some such things as these make up the department which falls naturally under the direction of the superintendent's wife, she may if she choose enter also somewhat into the burden bearing which "the care of all the churches" of necessity brings. As one comes to know them, churches cease to be mere organizations and take on individualities of their own, with individual problems and difficulties which become our own in a very vital sense. Many a night long after all office hours should cease, have we talked and prayed over the ways and means of solving the problems of these church children. And at times even in the watches of the night and in the quiet hours of the early morning these problems press upon us for solution. If there has been a time

when it could be said that all the churches had pastors, the next mail has brought suggestions of a proposed change or a sudden vacancy; and when for a time the waters are peaceful, news of a sudden squall will come which means hurried letters or a quick visit from the superintendent.

But after all it is not these externals which make the life so full of interest and satisfaction. It is the sense of having a share in a task which is worth while—the task of setting standards in the new towns and communities of a newly developing state, the task of laying the foundation stones in a new commonwealth strong and well that it may become a commonwealth of God-fearing and God-serving men and women. If in any least way our home may become one of the factors in the accomplishment of this task, then we thank God that He can thus use us, and pray that the spirit of the Master may be upon us and upon our home that all may be voiceful of the One whose we are and whom we serve.

THE MISSIONARY'S DAUGHTER ON A CLAIM

By Theodora Seil, Glendive, Mont.

IT was the ninth day of June when I left my home and friends in the second largest city in North Dakota, to take up a claim alone in the eastern part of Montana, which I thought then to be a typical wild, western country. It took only a day to arrive at Glendive, which was my destination for filing. Ordering my lumber for the shack in which I was to spend so many lonesome hours, I went to the hotel, where I stayed until morning. In the morning my lumber was to be brought out to my claim, and on this load, with my pet dog, I arrived at my new home.

It was late in the evening when we stopped at a house for the night. The bark of half a dozen dogs greeted us; then the family came out, and we made our desires known. This was my first acquaintance with the people who were to be my neighbors for a few years. The house consisted of three small rooms—two bedrooms, and a kitchen where we ate, cooked, and did all kinds of housework. In the two bedrooms six people crowded for the night to get as much rest as possible. As rest or sleep will always come to the weary, no matter how lonesome or homesick, I fell asleep, and slept until the early morning sun shone in our window and woke us up, the farmer to begin his day's work, and me to go on to my claim, where the lumber was unloaded, to be left on the ground for three weeks, as I could hire no one to build my house during that time.

The house is built in a valley between hills, a very pretty place, with one house in view, about a mile away. Other houses can be seen from the hills, dotting the prairie like huge bird's-nests. My house was built very warm and comfortable for the winter, and having brought a number of pictures and trinkets to fix it up with, I felt quite at home.

The evenings were long and dreary at first. Often I would bring out my phonograph and play the pieces we used to play at home, when we all sat together in the evening. When this grew tiresome, I would read books and papers, with which I was well supplied, or go to bed early, before it was time to light a lamp. I would sleep until sunrise, when I felt rested and was ready for any kind of work I found to do. Texas steers

roamed over the prairie, grazing peacefully by day, and coming at night to the shacks of the settlers to tear off the rubber roofing which covers the outside. The scraping of the horns against the house makes a noise which would frighten even the bravest to action, so I opened the door and set my dog on them. He managed well, for they did not seem so anxious to return the next night, or for many nights afterward.

I had very little furniture to start with, and this necessitated my getting busy at once, in order that I might have a table, cupboard, and shelves, which I made out of boards left from the house. I needed a woodshed before winter to keep my wood and coal in. This I built in two days. Never having learned the carpenter's trade, it took much planning, measuring, and tearing apart, before I got things to going smoothly, but at last the shed was built. It was tight enough to keep out the rain and snow, which was all I needed. I had two buildings now, so I thought I was well ready for winter to set in, and the snow to blow as much as it wished. With no animals to care for, I could stay in the house and keep warm. My land was not fenced in at once, so besides the cattle, the cowboys often came around in search of cattle which are left to roam until the time for a round-up. I was afraid of these men at first, but gave them food when they asked for it, and soon found they were not as wild and savage as I supposed cowboys to be, but were ordinary men who deal more with cattle than men, and so had become rough and uncouth. I often went weeks without seeing anyone. As I had a great deal of work to do, I could not spare any time to visit my neighbors, nor did the neighbors have much time to visit me. This is not a social place, everyone attending strictly to their own business, and I fell in with the customs of the country.

Winter came and went, and along with spring came the thoughts of plowing. I raised potatoes, beans, onions, watermelons, and other vegetables, and five acres of grain, enough to feed the cow which I got early in the spring, and horses, which are a necessity when one is thirty-five miles from town. I also have two lambs out of seven which were left here from a flock of 5,000 that passed through. These seven were too feeble to move along with the flock, and I nursed and housed them for a month; then five died, so I have only the two left. Their names are Pet and Curly. They afford me a great deal of amusement, and will follow me from place to place, principally to the garden when they see me going there. Tip, my dog, seems to think it his duty to guard them and keep them as near the house as possible.

A WESTERN CLAIM HOLDER

With the care of my garden and animals I have spent a pleasant year on my claim, and have not experienced as much trouble and lonesomeness and hardships as I expected to and have often read about.

WHEN FATHER IS A MISSIONARY

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Thedford Nebr
Sept 5 1909.

Dear friends

My father is a home missionary and lives in the Sand Hills of Nebraska. Papa has preached here about 14 years. The first summer we were here papa was busy helping build the church. Our church is the only one in the

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county. Some of the children here had'nt ever been to church in a church before; but in a school house or the courthouse. The wind blew the cupola off of the church. Papa goes up to Seneca every time he can to help build a new church up there.

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Seneca is 16 miles west of Thedford I have never been there. I want to go up there when they get the new church build. The church up to Seneca is a frame church and ours is a cement church. I graduated last spring from the primary

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class in Sunday school. There were seven of us we had exercise and examination and we got a diploma and a little new testament for our presents. We have a junior endeavor that we have started this summer. We have eleven

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members in it
When school
begins we
expect to have
more members.
In the summer
there is only
about a hundred
people that live
in the town but
when school
begins the mothers
and children
move in to town.
Some times five
or six of them

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lives in just
two rooms
because they
want to send
their children to
school and we
have so much
better schools
we have five
teachers and
a good high
school I am
not ready
for highschool
yet I am only
9 years old and
in the Fourth

7

Grade. I like
this country
because the
country is
hilly. I like
the wild flowers.
I like to go
in the river
when I
get older I
want to have
a horse to ride
I don't know
how to ~~swim~~
but I want
one anyway.

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Papa can help
in a great many
ways. When
I am bigger I
am going to help
too.

your friend
Ruth Sprague.

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THANKSGIVING

THIS is the month especially regarded for its Thanksgiving day. From near and from far many a household will assemble to celebrate the goodness of God, whether or not all will remember the Giver. It is a beautiful custom which we have inherited from our Pilgrim Fathers, and we are glad that it has been adopted by the Nation. As a people, gratitude to God whose constant care and constant love has been over us is a dutiful privilege.

THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION on its part has reason to thank the "Father of all Mercies" for the grace shown to the Association the past year. For the faith and courage which has been with those who have been in the fields—many of them hard and all of them laborious—for the gifts of the wealthy and strong, as well as for the giving that was cheerful even when it cost much to give we are grateful. We are thankful that burdensome and anxious obligations which hindered our work have been lifted through the "Together Campaign" and that we face the future with this relief. *We are thankful that we close our fiscal year with no debt.* We are thankful for what the churches and what good people are enabling the Association to do for the poor and needy; and with our thanksgiving we place a prayer that God will kindle afresh within us all—givers and workers—the power of His gospel and zeal for His kingdom. Upon all of our churches and schools may there come the baptism of a mightier faith, the inspiration of a larger hope, and the indwelling of a deeper love. So shall we prove our thanksgiving.

FINANCIAL

We greatly rejoice and give thanks to God that the increased receipts in September were such that the Association was able to close the year with all obligations paid and a balance in hand of $447.56 for the work of the new year.

The donations were $18,413.70 more than for the previous year.

We are also glad to report that the Joint Missionary Campaign Committee, through Dr. Lucien C. Warner, Treasurer, has paid into the treasury of the Association the sum of $46,-917.92 in full payment of the old debt.

The receipts from all sources, including the donations for debt, were $447,903.43—the largest amount in any one year for the current work, and were $60,174,62 more than for the previous year. In addition to this amount there has been received as income from the Daniel Hand Fund $75,362.71, income on particular funds $4,666.75, Endowment Funds $7,630.91 and other funds $9,977.16, making a grand total of $545,540.96—more than one-half million of dollars.

We give below an analysis of donations for September and for the twelve months, last year and this year, also a comparative statement of receipts for the two years.

DONATIONS—SEPTEMBER

	Churches	Sunday Schools	Women's Societies	Other Societies	Y. P. S. C. E.	TOTAL	Individuals	TOTAL
1907-08....	$5,861.70	$472.67	$2,978.44	$11.19	$249.81	$9,573.81	$20,097.31	$29,671.12
1908-09....	6,117.17	531.85	3,197.50	.....	305.94	10,152.46	28,658.40	38,810.86
Increase....	255.47	59.18	219.06	.....	56.13	578 65	8,561.09	9,139.74
Decrease....	.....	.....	.....	11.19	.....	.....	.....	.....

DONATIONS TWELVE MONTHS TO SEPT. 30th

	Churches	Sunday Schools	Women's Societies	Other Soc'ties	Y. P. S. C. E.	TOTAL	Individuals	TOTAL
1907-08..	$74,541.36	$8,659.54	$27,804.40	$580.39	$3,270.93	$114,856.62	$68,356.48	$183,213.10
1908-09..	78,860.39	9,902.15	27,253.86	88.57	2,614.72	118,719.69	82,907.11	201,626.80
Increase...	4,319.03	1,242.61	.....	.....	.....	3,863.07	14,550 63	18,413.70
Decrease..	.....	.....	550.54	491 82	656.21	.....	.....	.....

RECEIPTS TWELVE MONTHS TO SEPT. 30th

	Donations	Legacies	Income	Tuition	Slater Fund	Alaska Mission	Donations for Debt.	TOTAL
1907-08	$183,213.10	$115,775.91	$23,187.43	$61,052.37	$4,500.00	$	$	$387,728.81
1908-09	201,626.80	106,284.92	22,613.31	63,160.06	5,000.00	2,300.42	46,917.92	447,903.43
Increase	18,413.70	. ....	.....	2,107.69	500.00	2,300.42	46,917.92	60,174.62
Decrease	.....	9,490.99	574.12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

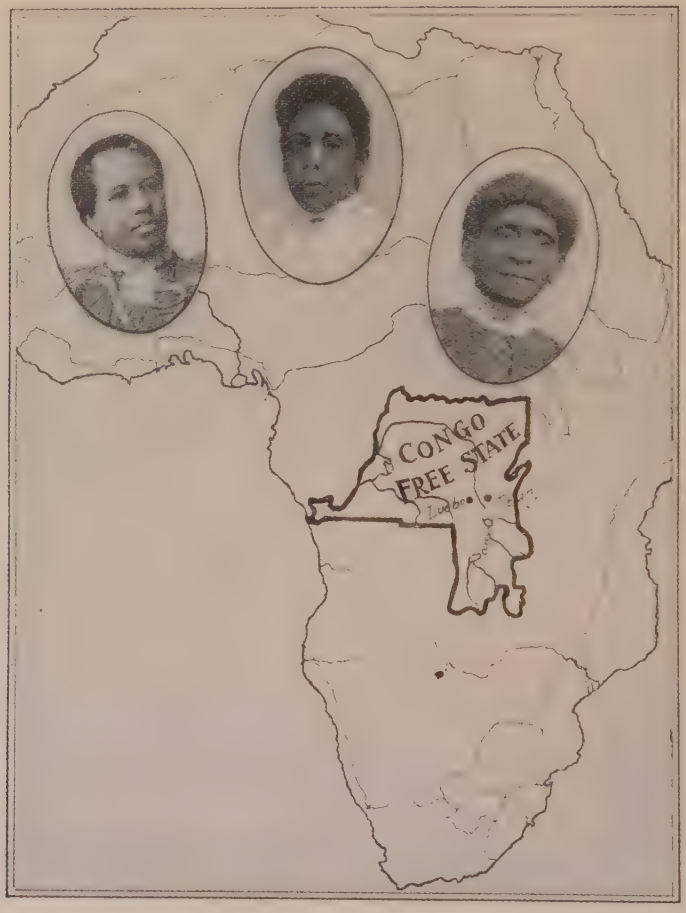
FORM OF A BEQUEST.

"I GIVE AND BEQUEATH the sum of————dollars to the 'American Missionary Association,' incorporated by act of the Legislature of the State of New York." The will should be attested by three witnesses.

CONDITIONAL GIFTS.

Anticipated bequests are received on the Conditional Gift plan; the Association agreeing to pay an annual sum in semi-annual payments during the life of the donor or other designated person.

AFRICA



A Story of Brotherhood

THE readers of the A. M. A. part of the AMERICAN MISSIONARY will recall the fact that several of the graduates from A. M. A. schools—notably Talladega College and Fisk University—have had their hearts turned toward missionary work in Africa. It will be remembered that a Fisk graduate, a lady of fine mind and excellent education, made an address last October at our Annual Meeting in Galesburg which commanded exceptional attention.

It was additionally interesting from the fact that this missionary was, and is, an assistant of the Rev. William H. Sheppard in the Southern Presbyterian Mission, and that Mrs. Sheppard, —his wife—another gifted and edu-

cated lady, is a graduate of Talladega College in Alabama. Mr. Sheppard at the present time is in the limelight in view of his arrest by the Belgian Congo Government on the charge of criminal libel, for testifying to the cruelties practiced toward the native Africans, which barbarities have come under his personal knowledge within the limits of his mission field. We shall hear more of Mr. Sheppard and of our A. M. A. graduates in Africa,

MRS. ALTHEA BROWN EDMONSTON, A GRADUATE OF FISK UNIVERSITY

doubtless, before the trial is over, the anticipation of which is now engaging the attention of Christians both in Great Britain and the continent of Europe, and which is sure to prove an important incident in the future history of the Congo.

It is eighteen years since Mr. Sheppard, who was "born and raised in Virginia," educated and carefully trained for the Gospel ministry, decided to give his life to the needs of his race in the Dark Continent.

At this time, the Rev. Samuel N Lapsley, a young minister of Alabama, had his heart touched with the same desire to carry the word of life to the benighted sons of Africa. A most inspiring memoir of this brilliant and cultured young minister tells us how he and Mr. Sheppard met and agreed upon the Congo Free State as their Mission Field. An attachment began between these two young missionaries that makes the memoir peculiarly suggestive and attractive. Together they went to their mission field. In their consecration to Christ, all the conventional racial questions ceased. This high-bred Southerner and young Negro minister became friends in deed. They visited King Leopold together; they made their way with a persistance and courage equally shared, through difficult and severely trying conditions, a thousand miles inland from the sea coast, living alike and in common as brothers. It is beautiful to read in the memoir how affectionately Mr. Lapsley speaks of Mr. Sheppard, and how all sense of color difference had absolutely banished in their common purpose. They were as one.

Leubo in the Southern part of the Congo State was selected for their missionary location. They had not sought an easy place. The native people were not friendly and were as degraded as Africa could produce. The climate bred deadly African fevers, but the heroic young missionaries with one heart and one voice, said, the worse the environments and the more appalling the conditions, the louder is the call upon our Christian devotion. There was a heroism in them that is

not common even in the experiences of missionary consecration.

Within a few months Lapsley surrendered his life, a victim of the African fever, and Sheppard did not escape. Seventy attacks of it however did not prove fatal to his negro blood, and now after eighteen years he remains as strong and well as ever, a most useful missionary. It was a sad calamity for the mission and for Sheppard when his cherished white friend was stricken down, but the Master remained with him and from that day the Southern Presbyterian Church has not asked for recruits in vain. No less than thirty-two men and women have followed to that same mission, white and colored men; of these, nineteen are now laboring there, ten of whom belong to the Negro race, and these Southern born white people are showing how Christians of both races can live together and work together as brethren. This spirit of consecration and Christian brotherhood might be sure of the blessing of God, and this the mission has had from the beginning. Eighteen years ago when these two young men, as brothers, wended their way for a thousand miles to a people debased and low in paganism, without a letter of language, they could scarcely have expected that to-day there would be organized churches with nearly *seven thousand* members; and (as we are told in the reports) that large congregations are regular attendants upon public worship in the churches and chapels; and that hundreds of children are being educated in the day schools, and are systematically trained in the Sunday-schools. Converts are constantly added to the church membership.

Our friends who have been contributing to the A. M. A. for Fisk University and for Talladega College, and for the schools of subordinate grades which sent their pupils forward for a "higher education," did not see how far this benevolence might reach, and what it all might mean. These, our pupils now working in the Congo are indeed but a fraction of the fruitage of these institutions, rich in the blessings of life, but in the signal benediction of their consecration these our former students in Africa are a fraction that may sufficiently answer the question, "does it pay?"

The A. M. A. is grateful for the fact that the SOUTHERN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH is encouraging our graduates to assist in this work for the evangelization of Africa. We are told that no mission of the Southern Presbyterian Church except that of Korea has been so wonderfully successful as this one in the Congo. In all this time "not one negro sent to the Congo Mission has died, or even broken down in health, and of all the TWO HUNDRED AND TWENTY missionaries whose names appear on the roll of the Southern Presbyterian Church, not one," we are told, "is more esteemed and honored by that Church than the Rev. Dr. W. H. Sheppard."

It encourages us in our A. M. A. work to know that Negro students who take on a thorough education, and who consecrate this to bringing in the Kingdom of God, are now proving themselves capable of sustained devotion in difficult missions and of distinguished success in their service.

It also encourages us that the SOUTHERN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH is using so successfully the Negro for the evangelization of Africa.

The experience of the Methodist Episcopal Church corresponds with that of the Southern Presbyterian. Its Foreign Missions have no room for race prejudice. Some twenty of the Negro graduates of their higher institutions are now preaching and teaching on the West Coast of Africa. They now teach more than fifteen hundred pupils in their schools, besides reaching thousands in the churches and Sunday-schools. We quote from their report: "They survive the deadly climate. In over six years not one has died. The Negro race now must furnish the educated, consecrated missionaries for the redemption of the Dark Continent. We must save our Africa in America if we would redeem Africa, with its uncounted millions, beyond the seas.

THE SOUTH

National Convention of Congregational Workers Among Colored People

By Rev. H. H. Proctor, D.D.

BIRMINGHAM is located near the center of Alabama, and is on the Southern shelf of the Appalachian Highland. Like Jerusalem of old, it is surrounded entirely by mountains, but these are richer than those of the Judean hills, filled as they are with the almost unexhaustible treasures of coal and iron.

Greater Birmingham has a population of nearly 200,000, and has over 100 miles of street car lines, handling on an average of 72,000 people daily. The sky-scrapers of the city are giving it a metropolitan appearance, while the numerous furnaces and ovens bear witness to its industrial importance. This smoky, busy, pulsating new city, picturesquely surrounded by hills and mountains, made an attractive setting for the convention, and the welcome of the magic city made all quickly feel at home.

The personnel of the convention was worthy of note. Here were the workers in church and school of the denomination in behalf of the colored people; some had grown gray in the service, others were still in the plentitude of their powers and still others were just putting on the harness. They were of both races. They are the real solvers of this great problem. They met in the environment created by Talladega College, whose singers furnished music for the occasion, and it was quite fitting that the convention should have chosen the theological department of that institution as its central theological seminary.

Recognizing the stress Congregationalism puts on education, a whole day was given to the interests of the schools. Secretary Cooper told of the relation of the office to the work of the schools, and Superintendent Douglass outlined the program for the work of a better systemization of this vast body

CONVENTION AT BIRMINGHAM, ALA., OCTOBER, 1909

of schools, so that a grade in one institution will mean exactly what it does in another. Prof. Kelly Miller gave an illuminating address, showing how the schools of the A. M. A. were doing the kind of work needed to promote southern civilization. Rev. J. P. O'Brien spoke on the need of technical training for service in the churches, while President N. B. Young extolled the old-fashioned Congregational ideals of education.

In this section Congregationalism is just in its beginning, and it was appropriate that a whole evening should be given to interests of expansion. Hon. J. C. Napier, a leading lawyer of Nashville, came to tell the best way. Rev. M. M. Whitt, who has done a remarkable work in the country districts of Louisiana, made a plea for more churches for the country people. Rev. H. H. Proctor was sure that for the colored people in the cities, shut out from the ordinary civilizing influences by the color line, the institutional church was the way of the distinct call. Prof. William Pickens in a characteristic address told of how the desired expansion may come about through the persistency and patience Lincoln showed.

The temperance movement in the South received adequate treatment, as was proper in this state which has adopted the most thoroughgoing prohibition law of any state in the Union. Congregational churches and schools led in this work in the South. Aid was voted the Armenian sufferers through the American Board. The convention favored the project for a semi-centennial exposition for the race in 1913, celebrating its emancipation, being inspired by an address by Major R. R. Wright, who years ago told Gen. Howard to tell the people of the North that "We are rising." Rev. George Eaves brought greetings from the southern white Congress, and Mr. Manning, a native white Southerner, told of his work for fair play for the black race. Secretary Cooper exploited the apportionment plan.

The New Orleans delegation came with such eagerness to secure the next meeting that they vanquished all rivals and won the convention's hand for two years hence. Rev. A. C. Garner, D. D., of Washington, D. C., was chosen president and Rev. H. H. Proctor, D. D., of Atlanta, corresponding secretary. The local interest in the convention was marked, people of all faiths joining in the work of hospitality. The auditorium was full at each gathering, and sometimes it overflowed. As the delegates came there was an eagerness to get together, and they left with a passion to reach the people. A new spirit fills our workers.—*The Advance.*

This meeting was held in the bailiwick of Talladega College, and not only was it true that the special singers for the occasion came from that institution, but also most of the ministers and laymen in the gathering had studied there. Without Talladega College this gathering could not have been held in Alabama, and without similar institutions scattered here and there in the South like stars in the sky this National Convention could not have been thought of. As it is a new consciousness has come to a new power within the colored race, and a new force for positive and constructive work in Southern civilization is growing.

THE UPWARD PATH

SOME months ago our attention was called to a well written book, entitled, "From Darkness to Light," which was prepared as a study of the Negro—his progress and his possibilities. We found very much in it that was excellent and were ready to recommend it for the "Forward Mission Study Course," on the understanding that it was to be revised by the International Committee, and as we supposed, with the purpose of eliminating whatever in it was at variance with historical accuracy or with views which do not have the verdict of history. We certainly were in cordial sympathy with its main purpose, and with the evident desire of the author to be entirely fair and to present as favorably as possible the South side view of the interests which we have at heart.

This work, now revised by the International Committee, comes to us with the changed title, "The Upward Path." We find to our regret that the corrections which we supposed would be made were not made, but on the other hand, certain values which were in the original work have been omitted. We supposed, of course, that in any revision apologies for the existence of slavery should be eliminated.

They are not, and we find ourselves unable to endorse the teaching that on the whole slavery was a grand and successful missionary movement. Yet we read as follows: "There must have been in slavery over two millions of Negroes in the southern states who were either professing Christians or under direct protestant Christian influence and instruction—nearly one-half of their whole number. *Does the history of missions present any parallel to this?*" (Italics ours.) Whatever may be said for slavery, as a system we cannot forget that during slavery more than one-half of the Negro people without marriage had received a large infusion of white blood, and we think it is too late to teach our young people that slavery was not such a very bad thing after all, merely because there were so many kind-hearted masters and mistresses who owned and worked the people they held in involuntary servitude; nor do we think people were wrong when they cried out against slavery; nor do we think that as a "missionary institution" it was right to try to extend it in new states and territories.

We are quite ready to grant that notwithstanding the wrong of human slavery, the absolute denial of human rights and the attendant evils upon both the owners and the owned, there was often also much attendant kindness. The denial of manhood and womanhood nevertheless remains.

Skillful mention is made of the ameliorations of slavery and we think a disproportionate one, though in this instance quite natural and honorable to the author. Considerable attention is given to the benevolent training of slavery, asserting that in many cases "it was a better model for an industrial school than some that have been established of late years for white and black girls"; that slavery was good in so far as it made skilled mechanics and "taught industrial habits and obedience to law." But Dr. Curry says "*Slavery cursed the South with stupid, ignorant, uninventive labor.*"

It is not in accord with historical

accuracy to say that the Fifteenth Amendment, which is pronounced "a national blunder," "disfranchised the most intelligent and conservative class of whites in the South," for it certainly disfranchised nobody.

Nor can we rest satisfied with the statements and general impressions made regarding our devoted missionary teachers. We read, "many of the Missionary teachers who went from the North had been very bitterly prejudiced against the ex-slave holders. They neither understood the conditions, or the negro, and the tares of distrust and resentment (not purposely it is hoped) were sown along with the good seed of the gospel and the primers. These tares bore dangerous fruit in the lives and manners of the impressionable negroes. Was it wonderful that the far famed "Southern hospitality" was not extended, and the Northern teacher felt herself, as she was, socially ostracised?"

Again we are told that "the State system of free public schools originated in the South, and was in operation nearly half a century before it was adopted by a member of the Northern States" and that in slavery days, before the war, the South had 27,582 public schools. But we quote from no less an authority than Edgar Gardner Murphy these words, viz.: "*It is commonly assumed that the difficulty which opposed the way of the free common school in the period before the civil war was the institution of slavery.* Yet this is but half the truth. There were then no 'constitutional' obstacles to the founding of a public free school system for our unprivileged white population. *Yet such a system was left unfounded.*" Mr. Murphy calls it "another of the tragic blunders of our development." Even Fleming who as an historian is not kindly towards the North, in his statement of "Reconstruction," says: "*Reconstruction gave the Negro a right to education and gave to both races the public school system.*"

These quotations must suffice for the reason why a book which challenges both the facts and the verdicts of history on many points, and the wisdom of the Fathers who organized the missionary schools and churches for the emancipated people, and the sacrificial service of conscientious teachers, who were not agents of strife or sowers of discord, but "good stewards of the manifold grace of God," should not go to the churches which were responsible for the work and the workers without our insistence that these were not mistaken enthusiasts whose influence was to a large degree pernicious. We have known the same class of teachers and many of the same teachers for more than twenty years. All may not have been equally wise, but we have never met any fire brands.

This brings us to say that our chief objection would not be so much the statements which we think erroneous, as the ommissions to duly credit the influences that have mainly brought about the acknowledged wonderful progress of the Negro within the past forty years. The author tells us that "now the negro race has true leaders who are doing their part nobly toward hepling others; principals of colleges and teachers, physicians, lawyers, ministers, graduates of colleges North and South; also women of refinement and culture who are spending time,

strength and money for the uplift of the women of their race. This is very good and true, but we may ask *where did these colleges come from; who established and sustained them; and where did these leaders get their education but—almost without exception—in these severely criticised missionary schools scattered throughout the South and taught by these "ostracised teachers?"*

We must, however, in justice say that in the original work, a certain credit was given to the Northern Missionary Societies with some brief statements of their work, which have been duly revised out and omitted in the volume now under consideration.

We prefer the judgment of those prophetic and wide visioned men who personally knew the Missionary Schools of the early days who often visited them and made the acquaintance of the teachers and knew their spirit. Men like Bishop Haygood, and Dr. Curry and Bishop Galloway and many others have testified freely and generously upon Northern platforms and have repeatedly given the work of early days as well as that which was later their heartiest support and sympathies.

Having said this, we think the original work "From Darkness to Light" a sincere and kindly effort of Christian devotion and consecration, quite and superior to the one prepared from it called "The Upward Path."

NORTH AMERICAN INDIANS

Autobiography of Poor Wolf, Head Soldier of the Grosventre Tribe

(Eighty-nine Years Old in 1909)

[Poor Wolf was baptized and united with a Christian Church March 28, 1893, at Fort Berthold, North Dakota and until he became blind and hard of hearing was faithfully active in leading his people to Christ.—Rev. C. L. Hall.]

I WAS born on the Knife river in the middle of the three Grosventre villages near the mouth of that stream. The chief of this middle village was the Road Maker. His father's name was Buffalohide-tent. The Road Maker was my mother's brother. He was born 142 or 143 years ago. I have kept a record and know this. The Road Maker died when he was 78 years old. My father died the same year. I was then 22 years old. The Road Maker was 78. That was about 64 or 65 years ago. My father was a little the younger of the two. He died in the winter, and the Road Maker died the summer before, when the cherries were ripe.

When I was a child of five winters, perhaps only four, I prayed to the spirits of animals, to the stars, the sun and the moon. My words were not many, but I prayed. I was afraid of the enemy in the dark. My father had heard of the white man's God through a trader but nothing clearly. We sometimes prayed to the white man's God who made us and could make us grow.

We had female divinities above, and we prayed to the four winds, and to the earth that makes the corn grow. There are many songs concerning these things, some of the songs speak of the different colored flowers. These things were taught for a great price, by the priests of the tribe.

When I was about five winters old a white chief visited our village on the Knife river. He said that the Gros-ventres should obey the Great Father, and consider their hunting grounds as extending from Devils lake to the Yellowstone river. I remember saying to my father: Will I be a white man now? And my father said, yes. That was 80 years ago, and I have been a friend to the whites ever since.

When I was 17 years of age I had the smallpox. I was left alone in a lodge, helpless, weak, and my eyes nearly closed. A bear came in and walked up to where I was lying. He sat down with his back pressed against me, and began to scratch his breast with his fore paws. By and by he got up and walked out of the lodge. Was I dreaming or had it really happened? While I was thinking it over the bear returned, and while I trembled for fear, went through the same motions again, and then went off, leaving me unharmed. I thought surely the bear has had mercy on me. When my father came again we talked it over and agreed that the bear had pitied me. After that I worshipped the bear, and in the dance I wore anklets of bear's teeth.

When I was 19 or 20 years of age, I went fasting for 20 days. I would not eat anything nor smoke for four days. On the fifth day I would eat a little, and then fast again. My mother and friends would try to have me give up, but I persisted. I cried during this time, and then, for a year after, though I did not fast I kept on crying. After this I was tattooed on my arms and neck and other places on my body. This was done with great ceremony. Song was used in the performance. They would sing: Let his body be pictured, his face, his spirit also, and O! White Father in heaven, and ye four winds, make him blue. Let him not be bitten by rattlesnakes. It was thought that the tattooing would give courage and afford protection; one would not be struck by bullets. One could suck out snake poison without harm. This last I did not like to try, but my father assured me it could be done. The tattooing left me sore, swollen and itching. After a while I moved about slowly and painfully, and ate a little. I was rubbed with grease and then the sores healed and the blue patterns came out. In tattooing five little sharp instruments were fastened side by side. They were like needles and pricked painfully into the flesh.

When I was 24 I came to the old Fort Berthold village. There they built a trading post. There were 50 warriors and 50 adults and children in the party. We put up a palisade round the post. We drew the logs with lariats of raw hide over our shoulders. We left the Knife river village because timber was scarce and the Sioux were plenty. The Blackfeet (Hidusidi) also were troublesome.

There is a bluff in the "Six Mile creek," near the present stage road crossing, where they used to go to catch eagles. There my father used to worship when he was on such a hunt. They came from Knife river at that time. I once caught twelve eagles on one hunt. Three in one day

was the most I ever caught. On another hunt I got seven. There are very strict rules for eagle hunting, but I did not think them correct and did not observe them all. One rule was that the successful hunter should return to camp with his eagles crying. I came back happy. If I cried over my success, I thought the eagles would not like it. If they cried because they did not catch an eagle, the rope might hear and help the next time. They prayed to the rope with which they caught the eagles. This was made of the fibre of a plant found in the woods. Two leaders of an eagle hunt wear eagle feathers round their necks and sing songs in the night. There are other rules, but I liked to go about the business in my own way. I have an eagle claw tattooed on my right hand. My uncle put it on so that I could grab a Sioux.

Once one hundred warriors of us went out on a trip, and got very hungry. I had a piece of fat buffalo meat that I had hidden and carried along. This I roasted and gave to them and so kept them from starving. In consequence one of the warriors gave me my name, "Poor Wolf." The warrior who gave me the name had taken part in a sun dance. He had continued dancing four days till all the others had stopped, and then kept on four days more. Then he had a dream and saw a wolf that told him he would have a long life. So he gave the name of Poor, i. e., Lean Wolf to me, because I had saved his life. Once when I first got a wagon and a span of mules I hauled wood all winter for the people in our village who had no horses. One summer I killed buffalo when they were scarce, and brought in and divided the meat to the whole tribe. That same year I brought in two more pony loads of meat. I was alone. Once I gave away my meat and all my things, a nice horse, a war bonnet, a red blanket, a whet stone, a knife and sheath. I now enjoy thinking of these things.

Forty-four years ago when the Sioux made their last attack on the old Fort Berthold village, I was sick up river at our winter camp. The Sioux came from Poplar river and also from Standing Rock. They burnt a large part of the village, including my house, my big bell, and other things. They got some of the stores out of the cache holes. Pierre Garreau was in the village, and some of the Indians from the winter quarters had gone down to the village, and they helped defend the trader's corral, and blockhouse. At this time Pierre scalped the Sioux whose body he hauled up from under the projecting upper story of the blockhouse by a noose. After the fight Old Knife, a Crow Indian, and a Sioux man living among us went as far as the Knife river and found two dead Sioux. These they scalped and then returned, having seen no more of the enemy. I was never wounded in a fight.

In the old time we had plenty to eat by hunting, but now we have cattle and big horses. In the old time there were many enemies everywhere, but now we are safe in any place. In the old time we prayed to everything, and dreamed, and conjured, and got horses for pay. Now we know that this is wrong, yet in that time we thought about what was right and wrong. We thought that a murderer or one who killed himself could not be in the happy place.

Before I was baptized I threw away

all my mysterious things (fetishes, charms, amulets, etc.).

I had a dried turtle shell, a muskrat skin, a mink skin, red muscles, a crane's head, an otter skin—six things, besides peppermint and other herbs. For these, and the songs and so forth connected with them, I paid eighty buffalo hides, besides guns, ponies, etc. I keep the turtle shell and the muscles yet, because they belong to my father; but I do not worship them. At one time, I paid one hundred and eighty buffalo hides, ten of which were decorated with porcupine work, and knives, and ponies, for a bear's arm, a crane's head, an owl's head, a buffalo skull and a sweet-grass braid that represented a snake with two heads. There were other things. The long hair of the buffalo near the jaw, owl's claws, and an image of an owl in buffalo hair. Such things were used at the buffalo dance for conjuring. The things gave the strength of the buffalo in fighting with the enemy. They also bring the buffalo when food heads, and things to make the wind blow right. Such things as these I took out on to a hill, talked to them, saying I do not need you any more, and threw them to the winds. For doing so Crow Breast, the Grosventre chief, called me a fool.

I am very old and am waiting to go above, but you—*addressing a younger man who had become a Christian*—are young yet. Persevere in the way of God. So many of our young men are given up to the old dances and vices.

WHY WERE YOU SO LONG IN COMING?

By Alice Bradnock Earle

In Dakota's gloomy forest,
Where the tall trees thickly grow,
Where Missouri's waters wander,
Land of wigwams, land of snow,
Long there lived an Indian chieftian,
Fierce, and bold, and strong of limb;
He had fought in many a battle,
But no foe had daunted him.

On his head were eagle feathers,
Softly stirred by Summer winds;
Wildly tossed by Wintry tempests
Rushing, roaring through the pines.
Black his hair as raven plumage,
Keen as hawk's his piercing eye;
Swift his arrows, sharp his weapons;
First to fight and last to fly.

Round his waist a belt of wampum,
Deftly wrought and proudly worn,
Bound his deer skin close about him;
Moccasins his feet adorn.
Brave and true, he loved his people;
Ready ever night or day,
To defend them 'gainst the white man,
Who would steal their lands away.

Oft to hear his tales of wonder,
Came the young men, eagerly;
When the thunder rolled, he'd tell them:
"The Great Spirit speaks to me!
"Bids me tell you, bids me warn you,
If you be not brave and strong,
He may strike you with His arrows—
Quickly then avenge all wrong."

Yet he pondered, weary-hearted:
"Useless this unequal strife!
White men rule us, we obey them,
What is the poor Indian's life?

"It is useless, O my children!
Let us from our warfare cease;
'Tis the will of the Great Spirit
That we smoke the pipe of peace."

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From the East-land to the West-land,
Went a messenger of love;
Telling of the Heavenly Father,
Telling of the home above.
From the wigwams came the children,
Happy hearted, free, and wild;
Pressing close to hear the story
Of the blessed Saviour-child.

And the dusky, toil-worn mothers,
Stopped to listen with surprise;
Till their hearts grew soft and tender,
Till the tears suffused their eyes.

And the sturdy hunter roving
Through the forest, gaily drest,
With his burden, at the Mission,
Often paused a while to rest.
And the Chieftian, bowed in silence,
Slowly raised his aged head—
"These are wondrous words you tell us!
These are strange sweet words!" he said.
"The Great Spirit is our Father!
Indian's Father, white man's too?
And He loves His Indian children!"
Missionary, is this true?
Then the Red Man is your brother!
And you know this long ago?
Why were you so long in coming,
When your brother did not know?"

CHINESE

The California Oriental Mission of the American Missionary Association

By Rev. W. C. Pond, D.D.

OUR new Central Mission House is completed and is paid for, and is occupied from basement to roof—both included.

This chapel will seat comfortably in chairs 250 people and the hallway of the second floor and the two rooms, one above the other in front can all be so opened into the chapel when a crowd comes, as to make seating capacity for fully 500.

The front apartment in the basement is a lightsome, dry, well ventilated school-room for the children whom we draw to us because their parents, if not they themselves, so greatly desire that they learn to read and write their mother tongue. It is furnished with modern school-room desks, blackboards and all else that is needed. Mr. Chin Toy and his wife—both well schooled in Chinese and both earnest Christians, have charge of this school, and I can think of no persons more likely than these, while teaching the children to lead them to their Savior.

The large rear room in the basement is proffered to our brethren for a gymnasium, if they desire to have one sufficiently to furnish it for the purpose. The floor is doubly cemented and thus impenetrable to dampness, and the ventilation is all that can be desired. If not used for a gymnasium, it can well be utilized otherwise.

The front room on the second floor is "The Perkins Room" named for that good friend of our work who entered into rest two years or more ago, and furnished unostentatiously but very elegantly by his relatives. This is at once a study for the pastor, an office for the superintendent, and a library room where Chinese can find a large variety of books in their own language, most of which can be loaned, and any of which can be consulted and studied. We trust that, as our brethren come to appreciate this privilege, and therefore to use it, great benefits will come from it.

The rooms on the third, fourth and fifth floors are rented to Chinese families or individuals. The Club of Christian Chinese young men occupies three of them. A good deacon of the church with a large family, has five of them. Rev. Jee Gam and his family need five also. There are twenty-nine rooms in all, six of which are tenanted by our gospel workers, rent free. The rest expected to yield about $100.00 per month. But the main reason for providing them is that we may thus establish a little Chinese Christian community by which all Chinatown may be moved somewhat to emulation, and the level of cleanliness, decency, comfort and *homeliness* (in the highest and best sense of the word) may there be raised.

Christian work is going on in the building every day of the week and almost every hour of the day. "The Chinese Congregational Church of San Francisco" has come to its own and spiritual planting and harvesting are prosecuted—both at the same time. The school is larger than before the disaster, as many as seventy-five pupils being present sometimes—the average attendance exceeding sixty and the total enrolment in ten weeks having risen to 199. Preaching services with Sunday-school and Chirstian Endeavor and a Union Street meeting, occupy well the Sabbath hours, while missionary work

THE CHAPEL

here and in China is reorganized and will proceed with increasing vigor. Our Christian Chinese in all parts of the State and of the country coming to San Francisco are entitled to count this as a refuge and a home. They will be among brethren here with a guest-room set apart for the uses of Christian hospitality. And if at any time this room should overflow, it will not be necessary to turn any out of doors. And thus our hopes are realized, our faith and effort rewarded many fold, and courage raised for greater and better work to come.

NOTE AND COMMENT

"Among Eight Races"

The "List of Missions and Missionaries under the auspices of the AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION" is always full of interest. Hardly anything shows so clearly the wide scope of the Association's work as this catalogue of churches, ministers, colleges, schools and instructors. Eight hundred and eight workers are enrolled in the missions to Alaskans, Indians, Chinese, Japanese, Hawaiians, Porto Ricans, White Highlanders, and Negroes. Each year's list shows an increasing number of those who have been trained in the Association schools and are now themselves teachers and preachers among their own people. Even a brief list of names taken at random is interesting. In Porto Rico we find Asuncion Dalgado, Eduardo Bibilonia, Macario Rodriguez. Among the Indians, Allen White Elk, Thomas Blueeyes, Stephen Yellowhawk, Eli Spotted Bear, H. W. Wakatemani, Anselm Killcrow, Mark His-horse-appears, Adolph Redears. Then such names as Gnomoto, Saiki, Yamarmoto, Masuda indicate the Japanese work; Chin Quong, Jee Gam, Jee Quong Haw, the Chinese, and in Hawaii there are six Japanese and four Chinese helpers to the Americans.

OBITUARY

In the death of Mrs. William H. Holloway, the wife of the pastor of Bethany Church, Thomasville, Georgia, the church has sustained a severe loss. Mrs. Holloway was greatly interested in the activities of the church at Thomasville, and for eight years has given earnest service and devotion to that work.

Pastor Holloway has the sympathy of all who know him in his bereavement.

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The last Church Census prepared by the United States Census Bureau brings the figures down to 1906. We had then 186 denominations as against 145 in 1890; an increase of 41, due partly to the division of denominations, and partly to the addition of new ones.

In the period from 1890 to 1906 eight new church edifices were built each day, or sixty every week. The whole number of new churches for the sixteen years was 50,308. The value of all the churches, with lots, organs, and furnishings, is more than a billion and a quarter of dollars ($1,257,575,867). The increase in the value of the church property during the sixteen years was more than a third of the total value being $578,149,378.

The churches (including all the religious organizations) numbered 212,230. They had 32,936,445 church members, or nearly one-third of the estimated total population of the country. The Methodists and Baptists together constitute more than one-half of the total number of religious organizations.

The male membership of the churches is 43.1 per cent. of the entire membership. The Greek Orthodox Church has the largest percentage of males (93.9), owing to the fact that nearly all the immigrants of that faith have been men. The smallest percentage of males has been in the Christian Science churches (27.6) and the Shakers (21.3).

The debts of all the churches in 1906 amounted to $108,050,946, or more than eight per cent. of the value of the church property. For the Protestant bodies, the debts represented 5.7 per cent. of the total value of the church property, and for the Roman Catholic church 16.9 per cent.

The increase in membership of the churches during the sixteen years from 1890 to 1906 has been 12,367,530, or 60.4 per cent. The Congregational increase was 36.6 per cent., the Methodists during the same period increased 25.5 per cent., and the Unitarians 4.1 per cent. The church membership increased more rapidly than the population.

These facts do not indicate that the church is losing its hold or going backward. On the other hand they should cause us to "thank God and take courage."

CHURCH BUILDING NEEDS IN NEW ENGLAND

By Rev. Roy B. Guild

THE need of church erection work in New England is steadily increasing. This is due in large measure to the industrial developments. There is a steady increase in the districts bordering on our cities with large manufacturing establishments. These communities often remind a Westerner of the boom towns in the West.

Such a community surrounds the Emmanuel Church of Springfield, Massachusetts. Here was a small Congregational chapel, that at one time sufficed. Suddenly street after street began to be lined with two-story flats and neat cottages, to be occupied by men skilled in every trade. It was imperative that we should increase our equipment to meet the opportunity. The earnest pastor, Rev. O. W. Means, and his wife, devoted themselves to the undertaking. Generous personal gifts by those in the church and by others in Springfield made possible, with a loan by the Congregational Church Building Society, the erection of an attractive and well-arranged church. The neighborhood is proud of it, and at each communion there are many accessions.

What has been done here should be done in many cities. It is unwise to lose these opportunities in the early home of Congregationalism.

In *Massachusetts* itself there is need of a large loan fund. These churches will in time be able to care for themselves. If the money is borrowed at the bank it means delay in payment of the principal and a serious handicap to missionary activities.

The Clarendon Hills Church, Hyde Park, Massachusetts, is a church that needs just the help that this Society can give, and should have it at once. At Haverhill is the splendid Riverside Memorial Church, that is a union church of several denominations. Those in authority erected an adequate plant, which was made possible by a gift of $10,000 from an individual. As a result, other denominations have no excuse for starting another church. A loan of $2,000, with one more supreme effort by a church made up of working men building their homes, would enable this church to dispense at once with Home Missionary aid. South Sandisfield is a village church whose edifice was destroyed by fire. The village cannot rebuild, and the neighboring churches in the Berkshires are sending their gifts through the Society, that the community may have the needed building.

There are three colored Congregational churches in the old Bay State seeking our co-operation. Two of these should be attended to at once.

One of the most interesting cases is that of the Swedish Church at Lynn. Pastor Johnson has shown wonderful wisdom in erecting in the ideal spot a building that is the center of Swedish Congregationism. It would have been almost fatal to do otherwise than has been done. A loan now amounting to one-third the cost of the property would be a splendid investment for our fellowship. This is especially true when we remember how faithful the Swedish churches have been in repaying loans.

Maine is steadily presenting interesting opportunities. There is real frontier work in Maine as important as in the West. The work here is encouraging on account of the good work of the Committee of Comity which prevents the over-supply of church organizations. In several communities there is need of increased church facilities and of parsonages.

New Hampshire has organized a new church at Fremont. The effort had been made by different denominations to maintain work there. Now

all have joined in the United Congregational Church. It would be of the greatest help if we could make them a parsonage loan, thus rendering it possible for the church to get along without Home Missionary aid.

Rhode Island presents opportunities. The Plymouth Church, Providence, has outgrown its present building. It owns a good lot. Though the membership is not wealthy, a splendid sum has been subscribed in the church and by individuals in Providence. As a matter of denominational efficiency there should be erected a large, attractive church, adapted to many lines of work. Fine residences are going up on all sides. A good loan now will mean future economy.

Secretary Ives writes as follows of the need of new churches in *Connecticut*:

"We are constantly hearing of our over-churched communities. This, however, is a small incident by the side of the growing demand for new organizations and new meeting houses. Connecticut is a foreign state, and there must be new churches where the Gospel is preached in the mother tongue. There are rapidly growing manufacturing centers, and new churches must be built where the Gospel is preached in English. Connecticut has increased in population more than 100,000 each decade since 1850. The population then was 370,792, and is now more than 1,000,000. Let us not talk so much of the few old towns that are overchurched, when there is such a pressing demand for the thousands which are unchurched.

"The appeal is imperative that liberal contributions be made to the Congregational Church Building Society from all our Connecticut churches. Let each church try to surpass its apportionment. The Home Missionary Society will preach the Gospel, but the Church Building Society must build the meeting house. At least a half-dozen churches and parsonages are waiting anxiously for the redemption of the pledges which are good as soon as the money is in the treasury."

In *Vermont* the need of new buildings is not so manifest at present. Yet we have helped to build twenty-seven houses of worship and two parsonages in the Green Mountain state. There is more yet to do.

It is sincerely hoped that during the next twelve months an additional loan fund of $100,000, to be known as the New England Loan Fund, may be raised, that these and similar cases elsewhere in our country may be attended to at once.

A "FORWARD MOVEMENT" IN WYOMING

By Rev. Annette B. Gray, of Cheyenne

WYOMING is a state of magnificent distances. Its imperial area exceeds that of all New England. Its population, less than that of Albany, New York, in 1900, is now rapidly increasing, as the new irrigation projects are opening to settlers its rich and fertile valleys. Our churches must be multiplied to meet the increasing need, and there are many openings of promise.

What is being accomplished in the way of parsonage and church building by the recent aid of the Congregational Church Building Society?

At Lusk the "forward movement" has possessed the people, and a most creditable addition to their church edifice has been made. This addition contains a Sunday-school room, parlor and kitchen. They have also reshingled the church, put down cement walks, lighting plant, pews, and beautified the interior generally. The assistance of the Church Building Society in paying the last bills was great-

ly appreciated. At the re-dedication services last September, Superintendent and Mrs. Gray, Rev. Pearse Pinch, of Lander, and Rev. C. M. Daley, of Douglas, assisted the minister, Rev. Mr. Shoemaker, in the exercises.

At Worland a parsonage has been completed with the aid of a generous loan from the Church Building Society. The church organization is new, and the town is new. The parsonage had to be built before a church edifice could be thought of, and before a minister could be secured to care for the field.

With assistance from the Church Building Society (the money being provided by the women of New York), a church is being built at Pinedale. It is the only church edifice of any denomination for one hundred and ten miles in two directions, and away over into Montana (I do not know how far) in another.

Generously aided by a loan from the Society, the Shoshoni Church is in possession of a fine six-room brick bungalow parsonage, with modern improvements.

There are other places where the assistance of the Church Building Society is imperatively needed, as a few facts will indicate.

A large church and parsonage must be built in the rapidly growing town of Lander. This church was organized in a dance hall, and worships in it still. They have not yet erected a parsonage, although a sufficient amount has been appropriated by the Church Building Society.

A large new church must be erected at Wheatland before any enlarged work can be accomplished. The present church building is quite outgrown.

A parsonage is an imperative necessity at Big Horn, if we are to keep a minister upon that field. It is the center of an important region in the northern part of the state.

Buffalo needs a large new church and Sunday-school room to accommodate the growing congregation and enlarging needs.

Sheridan, our Northern metropolis, must have a large modern church edifice if Congregationalism is to stand for anything in this busy Western city; she has no parsonage and needs one immensely.

Worland must have a church edifice. This town bids fair to become a county seat town very soon; it is located in the center of the best agricultural and fruit section of the Big Horn Basin.

Big Piney was organized into a church at the same time as Pinedale, from which it is forty miles distant. This church is located in a county which is settled principally by Mormons. We should have both a church building and parsonage there. At Pinedale, where a church is about completed, we need a parsonage as well.

At Superior, one of our newest fields, both a church building and a parsonage are imperatively needed.

At Eden, our newest field, a church should be erected early in the spring, followed with a parsonage. We can place a man upon the field as soon as this is done.

Wyoming appreciates the assistance which the Church Building Society has rendered, and would assure its supporters that the people of the West are large-hearted and self-respecting. Only when they have themselves done all they can, will they appeal for assistance from their sister churches elsewhere.

Our churches have not been backward in the care and improvement of their church property.

The First Congregational Church at Cheyenne has just refurnished the vestry and made changes in partitions, giving more class rooms for use during the Sunday-school hour. The vestry has also been refurnished with chairs and tables.

Green River, Wheatland, Buffalo, Big Horn and Dayton have repaired and beautified the church buildings, laid cement walks and made other improvements.

The Shoshoni Church has a fine new bell, the gift of Senator and Mrs.

Madden. The church has also beautified the windows, and added to its furnishings.

At Douglas the old parsonage, not well located for our work, was purchased for the site of a federal building, and the people have bought a modern and beautiful home immediately adjoining the church property with the money received from the sale of the old house.

At Rock Springs the church is now in the hands of the carpenters and painters for enlargement and repairs.

Thus in a material way the year has been one of marked advance in our Wyoming churches, and the outlook for the year to come is very bright.

THE PREACHER'S "TREAT"

By Rev. Edward P. Owen

THE little town of M—— has a history that runs back to the days when the southern edge of Kansas looked out upon a vast unsettled tract of Indian land. For years this border country had been the rendezvous of the cattlemen, who used the range below, and of the various outlaws and criminals who had made the Indian lands their hiding place. A little branch railroad ran down to C——, a little town on the Kansas side of the line, and at the time of the "run," some of the best citizens of C——, anticipating the extension of the railroad into the new territory, laid out a new town site on the Oklahoma side of the line, on a piece of ground that was a far more convenient site than the old Kansas town of C——.

From the birth of M—— there was a keen and bitter strife between the two towns. No less than three men were shot down in the streets in broad daylight in the course of the first few years, and several cases of arson were supposed to have originated in the rival town. The two saloons in M—— were kept busy from the start, and C—— kept pace with a joint and gambling den. The reputation of the two towns was known far and near.

About six years after the opening of "the strip," while on a visit to a member of our Salem church, we were discussing the question of missionary work, when it was suggested that if I were looking for a really typical missionary field I should find it at M——. My informant had owned a "claim" near M—— in the early days, and his statements were so strong that I was tempted to investigate at once. I found a busy little "burg" that drew trade for more than thirty miles, but there was no church in sight, and I was informed that Sunday was a "wide-open" day. Horse races, foot races, drinking, gambling were the rules, Sunday-school the exception, and all attempts at preaching had thus far ended in failure.

But I found, as is often the case, that it is darkest just before dawn. Even the supposedly irreligious were dissatisfied with conditions, and one individual, reputed to be an atheist, offered to donate $25 towards the building of a church. I could only discover three professing Christians in the town, but decided to commence permanent work, and took up a regular appointment at the school house twice a month.

On my third visit I was sitting in the hotel about 7 o'clock on Saturday evening, when I heard two shots fired on the street and a good deal of confusion and noise. In a few minutes the hotel door opened and I saw someone beckoning to me to come out. Instinctively guessing what was on foot, I asked my visitor what he wanted. His answer was that he wanted me to come over and have a drink with him!

I thanked him politely, but told him that drinking was not one of my usual habits. He then suggested a cigar, but again thanking him, I told him I did not smoke. Not to be outdone, he then offered to compromise by treating me to some lemonade at the restaurant.

As I happened to know that the restaurant keeper was one of the three professing Christians of the town, I readily acquiesced, thinking that, once inside the restaurant, I should find some way to take care of my generous friend, for it was evident that he would need a guardian before long. When we arrived at the restaurant it was locked. The proprietor was justice of the peace, and had gone in search of special constables to quiet the disturbance.

While crossing the street I had discovered my friend's name, and at once knew from what I heard in the hotel that it was the man who had fired the shots a few moments before. On finding the door of the restaurant locked, he suggested that we go "up street" —towards the upper saloon where the crowd had gathered to watch events.

Just then the special constables put in their appearance and seized my genial companion by each arm. As he was six feet two inches, and weighed about 200 pounds, and had a bad reputation, I was somewhat alarmed. A man half drunk, with four shots still in his revolver, might make serious trouble, fighting with two men half his size, so I suggested that, as he had made no trouble for me thus far, they should let him go and let me try my success in handling him. As soon as I had learned his name, I knew where he lived, and I now turned to him and proposed that we go down to the house. He seemed to take kindly to the suggestion, and, placing his arm around my neck, he allowed me to convoy him homewards.

The whole population of the little town had by this time gathered, and there was much amusement to see big J. C. taken home by the green little visiting preacher. As he crossed the threshold he took out his six-shooter, and, throwing it on the bureau, he stumbled and fell headlong to the floor. In a few moments he was in a profound sleep, and after taking off his boots and aiding his wife in making him comfortable, I took the discarded six-shooter and retired to the hotel.

The crowd in the school house next night was a forerunner of crowds that later overflowed our first little church building, and caused us to build a sightly addition within the first two years of our work in the town. The M—— church not only grew into a strong organization of sixty members, but it became a center for work in the outlying neighborhoods, as well as sending out its deacon and pastor to undertake work in the newer regions further west. In course of time the wife and father and mother and two sisters of our friend J. C. joined our church in M——, and our hero himself settled down into steady ways, and finally became marshal of the little town of which he had once been the bully. The parson got neither his whisky, nor his cigar, nor his lemonade, but "he saw of the travail of his soul and was satisfied." Such is the life of the home missionary.

The Congregational Church Building Society, with a grant of just $200, enabled us to build our church at W——, fourteen miles from the town where the above incident occurred. When we transferred that work to the Methodists in an exchange of fields, they repaid the grant, which was reappropriated to the much-needed church at M——. These grants with the same money enabled us to do our fair share of the pioneer church work in that region of great spiritual needs. A little cash will often go a long way on the home missionary field.

TWO IMPORTANT CHURCHES

PRESIDENT Taft, in a recent address in Seattle, endorsed the view that the commerce of the world in the near future will be largely on the Pacific Ocean. The western slope of our country will then be of commanding importance. Fronting China and Japan, it will reap great havests from their development. The completion of the Panama Canal in 1915 will greatly accelerate the commercial expansion of that part of the world.

We cannot be too alert, then, in developing Christian institutions in that part of our country. We must carry the spirit of Christ into every city and hamlet of that great region, that it may master and control the spirit of commercialism.

We have made a good beginning. Already we have 542 Congregational churches in the nine states and one territory of our Pacific District. Our Society is trying to do its full share of the work. We have helped to build 513 houses of worship and 173 parsonages in this same district. New applications are constantly coming to us for additional help, and we expect a constant growth of our work all along the coast.

One of the most attractive places in California is Santa Barbara, which has long been a favorable resort for tourists. Facing a beautiful bay, the town lies in a valley that stretches back to the encircling hills. The old Catholic Missiom Church still stands on the outskirts of the town, a monument to the piety and devotion of the early Spanish fathers. Near the center of the place we have for more than forty years had a church which rendered good service, but it was poorly located on the edge of the Mexican quarter and opposite the jail, and became inadequate for the present needs. Under the energetic leadership of Rev. William C. Merrill, and stimulated by the generous offer of a splendid contribution by an

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, SANTA BARBARA, CAL.

earnest woman, the church has recently disposed of its old property, bought a fine lot on the main street, and built a beautiful and commodious new church, which will mean much for the development of our work in this important resort. It is a thoroughly modern building in all its appointments. An excellent parish house provides for the Sunday-school and social needs of the church. A fine organ has been secured by the indefatigable efforts of the women. The total cost of the church, with its lot, was nearly $30,000, and our grant of $2,000 and loan of $2,500 enabled the people to pay the last bills.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, LODI, CAL.

Coming north to the San Joaquin Valley about sixty miles east of San Francisco is Lodi. It is in a fertile region. Our church in this place is thirty-seven years old, and that it is an aggressive spiritual force is indicated by the fact that last year they added ninety-one new members, bringing the total membership up to 245. They had quite outgrown the old building, which we helped them to complete thirty years ago, and on special occasions many had to be turned away from the doors. A new building was a necessity. With our new grant of $500 and loan of $2,000, they have now secured a fine property valued, with its furnishings, at $15,000. It has sittings for 500, and is well adapted to the growing work of the church. The Sunday-school rooms open into the church, so that 200 more may be added to the audience. The people gave generously to the work, their contributions ranging from one dollar to $1,500. The courage and self-sacrifice of the pastor, Rev. F. M. Washburn, and his energetic flock, are well rewarded, as they now enjoy one of the most attractive houses of worship in that region.

These two churches are typical of what we have done and are doing on the Pacific Coast. There is undoubtedly a great development near at hand for that section of the country, and we are glad to have helped to establish many strong churches to leaven the life of that region. Applications are constantly coming to us for aid in church and parsonage building. We hope to give the helping hand to every worthy case, provided the churches of our faith and polity send money enough to our treasury. We can only disburse what they send us. But we are confident that they will gladly entrust to us enough to shelter every church and pastor needing our aid.

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WISE AND BEAUTIFUL

I thought of the first of these words as I stood with the superintendent looking over our Manhattan Sunday-school building after we had sent the children to their homes across the fields. It was two years since I had visited the Manhattan Sunday-school, but in all those weeks the school had been held regularly, and at Christmas and Children's Day the hearts of the children had been made glad by a special service.

MANHATTAN SUNDAY-SCHOOL

The building needs painting and shingling on the outside and the hand of the decorator on those dingy walls inside. But it affords a happy meeting place, notwithstanding. And here, week after week, with only the service of the Lord as their pay, come superintendent and teachers, one of them a distance of five miles, to keep up this religious service. Our part as a Sunday-School Society is to help with some bright picture cards and papers, and to give the impulse of oversight when it is needed. And then I thought out from this single school, to our one hundred and sixty other mission schools, meeting each Sunday in every part of Minnesota. I estimated that, in a single state, probably more than five hundred men and women were thus enlisted in this work of such infinite value, with the help and impulse of our Congregational Sunday-School and Publishing Society back of them, reaching perhaps a total audience of 5,000, old and young, and doing a work essential to the future. And when I had meditated upon the proportions of this work in all parts of our land, and its cost in dollars and cents, I said to myself: "There is not a service rendered in any direction that is to be compared, for economy and wisdom, with this work of Sunday-school missions. It is a wonderful investment of what has hitherto been a pitiably small sum of money." When the single worker can call into activity such a corps of unpaid workers why do we not enter those fields which have said so long, "Come over into Macedonia and help *us*."

And Beautiful: Yes, I thought of that phase of the work, just the Sunday following my visit to Manhattan. I was paying a long promised visit to

Minnehaha Sunday-school. I think the poet Longfellow would have shivered could he have gone with me to see the shabby building which houses the Sunday-school near the Falls of Minnehaha. A low pitched roof, a straggling building which eight years ago had one coat of yellow paint, a storm house that never boasted paint at all, but gave a dingy welcome, a kind of leering "How d'ye do;" that is the housing we have so far given this enterprise of the poetic name.

MINNEHAHA SUNDAY-SCHOOL

But when Sunday-school time arrived how the boys and girls came trooping into their well loved quarters, filling the scant room almost solidly full.

I might nominate this as the Sunday-school of the three sisters. For when matters were at a low ebb three Christian Endeavor girls came to the rescue. To be sure their tasks during the week are exacting enough, but they forgot them in their zeal for this loving service.

And there they were, the three sisters, immaculately neat in their modest dress, but furnishing a tone which never would have come from the grimy surroundings. One was on the platform as superintendent, one had a fine class of boys and the third assisted in the secretary's work and taught at times in addition.

There came to me a sense of how beautiful in the eyes of the Saviour must be all this wide reaching service "In His Name," through the thousands of branch and mission Sunday-schools all over our land. I had a new sense of how it was all touched with the sweet self-forgetfulness which He loves. I never yet have taken a stranger to see work like this without noting in the glistening eye and the new tenderness in voice and word the silent testimony to the beauty of it all.

And how wise and beautiful it would be if those whom the Lord has blessed should bring not pennies to the offering but dollars and fives and tens, until this year there should be given sufficient so that the waiting fields should have to wait no longer for this wise and beautiful work of Congregational Sunday-school missions.

R. P. HERRICK,
Superintendent for Minnesota.

RECENT CHANGES IN THE FIELD FORCE

Rev. E. H. Stickney, superintendent of the Sunday-School Society for eighteen years in North Dakota, has been called also to superintend the work of the Home Missionary Society in that state. He will share his service with the two Societies.

Superintendent G. J. Powell, of North Dakota, has been called to the joint superintendency in Montana.

Rev. E. E. Smith, of North Dakota, is transferred to Montana.

On account of the necessity for retrenchment, Rev. J. T. Percival, of Eastern Washington, has retired from our work. The Society parts with him reluctantly.

It is earnestly hoped that each church may come up to its full apportionment for the Sunday-School Society. There are earnest calls for large service in communities which are without opportunity for religious service of any kind.

"JUMP OFF JOE"

I crossed a low range of mountains seven miles north of Grant's Pass, which divided the waters of Louse Creek from those of Jump off Joe. The latter stream derived its name from an event that took place while General Grant's army was encamped on this creek during the Indian war. The soldiers called to General Joseph Lane to jump off when his mule was wounded by a bullet from the Indians.

Upon reaching the summit, a fertile valley presents itself, dotted with farmhouses, and on the mountain slopes are the buildings of quartz mines.

JUMP OFF JOE CREEK SUNDAY-SCHOOL.

After making a canvas of the settlement, I found that they have a large attendance at the public school. A great many of the children and young people have not had the privilege of attending any religious meetings, and were growing up without any religious instruction. The superintendent elected is a new settler, a Christian from the north. This made it possible to organize a Sunday-school. The majority of the people are engaged in farming and the school will be permanent, and can be grouped with Hugo.

M. C. DAVIS,
Missionary for Oregon.

NO MINISTER IN THE COUNTY

At a new settlement of ten "Kinkaid" families the service of organization was the first religious service in the neighborhood. Two of these families are supposed to be infidels, but when we called on them, they promised to attend and do what they could to make the Sunday-school a success, and they were the first people at the meeting. One man took his saddle horse and rode eight miles to invite a family to the service. Very little Sunday-school work has been done in this county until this year. There is not a resident minister in the county.

L. O. PEARSON,
Missionary for Nebraska.

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND

The following extracts are from a very interesting report of two months' Sunday-school service by Rev. J. J. Yost, in New Hampshire and Maine. "A group of towns visited revealed the need of pastoral and lay leadership, and the necessity that the Sunday-school man should be in close touch with the Home Missionary Society, and that the work be followed up as soon as possible with a regular pastor. This group lies in Hillsboro, Merrimac and Sullivan Counties, New Hampshire. The group includes six Congregational churches and one Grange Hall. The Sunday-school man found Sunday-schools in three of these churches which are supplied by summer pastors. He organized a school in one church, and another in the Grange Hall. In these two communities, there were Protestant children, twelve years old, who had never been in a Sunday-school. At one place a meeting was held at the church on Thursday evening, in haying time, with good attendance, good singing, and good interest."

"In the upper valley of Cold river was a settlement of thrifty farmers, eighteen miles from the railway, and hemmed in by mountains and hills except for the stage line following the valley. These farmers employ modern methods, and keep in touch with the world of thought and action. Their day schools are well kept, and they meet regularly in their Grange Hall for economic and social purposes. Moral standards are fairly well kept, but religious indifference prevailed. About forty people responded to the house to house visits and met in Grange Hall on Sunday morning, and with considerable interest organized a Sunday-school."

During the two months, Mr. Yost made 112 trips, eighteen by railway, twelve by electric lines, eight by boat, three by stage, twenty-five by carriage, forty-five on foot. He visited fifty places, gave twenty sermons and addresses, conferred with nineteen ministers, visited 300 families, organized eight Sunday-schools. He reports large fields for this service and a very hearty, earnest welcome on the part of the communities reached..

OTHER EASTERN STATES

Rev. A. E. Ricker, Secretary of the Home Missionary Society for Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Maryland writes, "I am glad your mind turns toward this wide district, so long neglected by us as a denomination, as far as special Sunday-school work is concerned." He states that improvement of Sunday-school work in his distirct is greatly needed, and then states, "As to fields for organization of new schools, these are not wanting, especially if we are to take into account the children of the European Americans. I have often thought of some plan to secure supervision in my territory by the Sunday-School Society, and hope the day is dawning."

The Sunday-School Society is earnestly considering the matter of the employment of a worker for northern New England, and another for other Eastern States.

MONTANA TESTIMONY

One man, who was not a professing Christian, remarked that he was fully convinced of the practical value and the imperative need of religious instruction. "I have, of late," he said, "frequently asked myself: Why are so many boys I taught fifteen or more years ago, in the penitentiary, and others appear to be candidates for the institution? And I have about concluded that their education has been wrong. While they were taught the common English branches, they were not taught as they should have been, right from wrong. Above all, their religious nature was not developed."

JOSEPH POPE,
Missionary for Montana.

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KINGFISHER COLLEGE, OKLAHOMA

KINGFISHER Academy was founded in 1890 by Rev. J. H. Parker, and began in the basement of the Congregational church. In 1894 it was merged into the college which the Congregational Association of Oklahoma decided to establish. Rev. J. T. House was called in 1895, and was elected president the next year.

In 1895-6 school was held in a hotel building. The lower floor was used for school, and the second floor as dormitory, of which Mrs. Parker was matron.

In May, 1896, the corner stone of Parker Hall, the first building, was laid. After a long and disheartening struggle, school was opened in the unfinished building in September, 1897. It was still unplastered and the floors were rough boards.

PARKER HALL

It was college, dormitory, kitchen, dining room, music room, recitation rooms, office, chapel, and president's mansion all in one. It seldom snows in Oklahoma, but when it did more covering was needed on the beds, which the snow kindly

furnished. When those on the upper floors rose early, those below were driven out by the dust, which sifted through the cracks in the floors. The boys slept in bunks, one above another, state-room style.

The first light began to dawn in 1899, when Miss Julia Gilbert of Middletown, Connecticut, gave the money for the boys' dormitory, which bears her name. It was dedicated in April, 1900, but the boys had moved in several months before.

JULIA GILBERT HALL, BOYS' DORMITORY

The third building, Osgood Hall, was given by Miss Louise Sturtevant, of Norwich, Connecticut, for a girls' dormitory. It was first occupied Christmas, 1901.

The fourth building was given by Hon. A. J. Seay, ex-governor of Oklahoma, a resident of Kingfisher. It is intended chiefly as a home for students who are working their way. Most of the work on it was done by students under the leadership of one of the faculty.

In the spring of 1903, Dr. Pearsons offered $25,000 for endowment, on condition that $75,000 more be raised. Then followed a struggle which cannot be told. Every Congregational church in Oklahoma was canvassed; struggling farmers gave from one dollar up; home missionaries gave twenty-five and fifty dollars out of their pitiful salaries; the Ladies' Aid Society of the Kingfisher Congregational church raised $1,000. Twice Dr. Pearsons extended the time. Finally in January, 1905, the legislature of Oklahoma adjourned, and came on an excursion to a great banquet in the college chapel, to celebrate the completion of the first $100,000 of endowment. Dr. Pearsons offered another $25,000 on the same conditions. Of the second $100,000 Mr. Carnegie gave $25,000.

For various reasons the endowment has shrunk to about $150,000, all of which is not yet available.

Nine classes, with 37 students, have been graduated. The following table shows what they are doing:

Class	Graduates	Teaching	Preaching	Wives	Business	Post Grad.
1900...	1			1		
1901...	1			1		
1902...	4	3				1
1903...	2	1		1		
1904...	3	1		1	1	
1905...	5	2			3	
1906...	4	3				1
1907...	5	1	2			2
1908...	12	9	1			2
	37	20	3	4	4	6

was in Andover last year.

One of the graduates was a Rhodes scholar, and made his degree at Oxford in two years, instead of three, the usual time. He is now in the faculty of Princeton University. Another is making M. A. at Chicago University, in one year after graduation from Kingfisher.

One of the present senior class has received notice that he will be accepted for post-graduate work at Harvard, on the completion of his course at Kingfisher.

Four of the last graduating class received life certificates from the State Board of Education, and six received ten-year certificates.

A student who had finished the

OSGOOD HALL, GIRLS' DORMITORY

Of the 17 not now teaching, all but two or three have taught since graduation, some for several years.

Of the three preaching, one is in Oberlin Seminary this year, and one sophomore at Kingfisher, entered the senior class at the University of Nebraska.

Another sophomore entered the senior class of Epworth University

(at Oklahoma City). Such standards as these facts indicate have been established and maintained in the midst of struggle, an overworked faculty, an unappreciative environment, and a tremendous demand for lower standards.

The struggle of an Oklahoma college is unique. There is nothing like it anywhere. More Oklahoma students attend colleges in other states than attend her own. Parents send their sons and daughters to their Alma Maters in other states, so that an Oklahoma college has to create its own constituency. There are not more than seven or eight students in Kingfisher College whose parents are college graduates. So her work is almost a clear gain for higher education.

The sociological condition is unprecedented. Cities and communities filled up in a few weeks by people without a particle of cohesion or like-mindedness, coming from different states and from Europe, with different social ideals, different customs, intent only on making money and postponing all the higher interests of life.

Political corruption is bad enough anywhere in the south; in a territory it is as bad; here we had both, the spoils system at its worst. The most sectarian churches were the most prosperous. Discredited preachers from everywhere crowded to Oklahoma. Churches were depleted by removals, or deadened by worldliness. It was hoped that statehood would quiet the seething caldron, and it will; but liquor, and railroads, and politicians kept Oklahoma out of the union till seventeen states were smaller in population. Nowhere on earth is the Christian college more needed; nowhere has it a more inspiring opportunity; and—it may be added—nowhere is it harder to establish one with the highest standards and ideals.

SEAY HALL FOR SELF-SUPPORTING STUDENTS

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THE CLOSE OF THE FISCAL YEAR

November is the closing month of this Board's fiscal year. We are glad to report that September has shown a marked gain in receipts over September, 1908. This month of November will determine what the year will bring forth.

We would urgently request church treasurers to see that all Ministerial Relief funds on hand are sent to the Treasurer, Mr. B. H. Fancher, 287 Fourth Avenue, New York, before November 30th. We make a similar request of the ministerial and lay annual subscribers, whose subscriptions are now due, to pay the same this month, if possible.

On October first the Current Fund was about $3,000 short for the quarterly payment to pensioners then due. Not only must this be made good, but all other obligations met by November 30th. Quite a number of new applications for aid have come in this fall, with a note of suffering, want, grief and loneliness, which would touch any heart. We are hoping for a most generous remembrance of these aged servants of Christ in this closing month of our fiscal year.

A COTTAGE IN FLORIDA

Through the generous deed of a friend of the old ministers, a furnished cottage at Floral Bluff, Florida, near Jacksonville, has been given to the Board of Relief, to be occupied by some aged or infirm minister and his wife during the winter season or the year round if desired. Last winter it was occupied by a minister and his wife from Maine.

Any Congregational minister who may desire the free use of this cottage for the coming winter or longer, may correspond with Secretary Rice. The cottage is a five-room, well-built house, probably not satisfactorily furnished, but sufficiently for comfort. It is said to be in an exceedingly healthful locality. There are some neighbors, partly from the West and North. Some might regard the place as remote and lonely and rather inaccessible, but for quiet and rest, and escape from the cold winters of the North, and to enjoy the beautiful St. John River, only a half-mile away, it must be unusually attractive. Early application is desirable.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF AND THE FRONTIER HOME MISSIONARY

By Rev. George C. Hicks

That many ministers doing missionary work on the frontier have insufficient salaries is to be taken for granted. A single instance will suffice to illustrate the situation. I knew a minister, educated at one of our foremost theological seminaries, and whose mental equipment was such that he was qualified to fill with entire acceptability any pulpit in the land, and who, at an early day, came West, and under the direction of the Home Missionary Society began the work of building up churches, in which he at-

tained much success. Years afterwards, and after he had passed his sixtieth birthday, he went to Nebraska and engaged in the same line of work. When I last knew him there, he was occupying a field comprising two churches five miles apart. He preached at the home church Sunday mornings, driving to the other place and preaching in the afternoon and night. Most of the time he thought it necessary to drive home after the night service. The road was a dangerous one for a night drive when dark, as there was one bridge over a deep ravine, with no side railing, and often in the darkness he was obliged to trust the instinct of his horse to cross it in safety. He must also pass two railroad crossings before reaching home. Sometimes, in the break-up of the spring of the year, ditches would be washed out in the road that would render them in places almost impassable; and he has told me that he was often forced to leave his seat in the buggy and lead his horse over such places. Many were the times when he would not reach home till after 11 in the night, his wife at home in trembling anxiety lest some accident had happened her husband. She had frequently gone to the stable, she told me, to see if the horse had not reached home without the driver. Besides the regular work of the churches, this missionary pastor attended most of the funerals for five miles around.

Now, what was the compensation for all this work? The two churches pledged each $200, on the presumption that the Missionary Society would furnish $200 more, making an aggregate of $600; but during a series of years there was but one when the Society was able to furnish more than $100; and one of the churches failed every year to redeem its pledge. With how much more buoyancy and success could this old missionary have labored could he have been assured that the Ministerial Relief Society could come to his help, making it certain that he would not be forced to face the terrible alternative of debt or destitution!

From what I have often observed, I am satisfied that the above is no exceptional case; but that such are occurring all the time, and in all localities where the pioneer work of our churches is going on.

Now, the entire superstructure of Congregationalism rests on the foundation that these early workers, now aged and worn, have laid. Whatever splendid work others may now be doing, the aged minister is always "the head of the corner." Can our Congregational brotherhood owe a more sacred and binding duty to God and man than so to equip the Board of Ministerial Relief, that they may be able to make the closing years of these faithful workers free from the corroding anxieties that result from poverty and destitution?

PREPARING FOR THE OFFERING

Unless the pastor regards the Ministerial Relief offering as important the church will not so regard it. We submit an announcement which one of our Congregational pastors made of the coming Ministerial Relief offering to his people through the mail:

"Our annual offering is to be made next Sunday for the Board of Ministerial Relief. You will see from the inclosed circulars what the nature of the work is, and what is the need. As the need is as great as it ever has been we ask all that your generosity can freely give. Please make checks payable to the order of the treasurer. Put your contributions in inclosed envelope and bring it to church next Sunday, or mail it to the treasurer."

We are sure that such forethought and information will increase the intelligent interest of a church in this cause, and largely augment the offering.

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CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY

1. FIFTY YEARS OF HELP AND ITS RESULTS.
   (See: "Facts to Remember;" "Gains of a Half Century," *Church Building Quarterly,* Jan., 1909.
2. HOW WE HELPED IN PORTO RICO.
   (See: "Our work in Porto Rico," *Church Building Quarterly,* Jan., 1909.
3. THE HELPING HAND IN OKLAHOMA.
   (See: "A Sod House Bishopric," "Our Work in Lawton."
4. PIONEERING AMONG THE SAND-HILLS.
   (See: "A Frontier Sample," "Old Bill." (A Church Building story.)
5. HELPING THE PASTOR'S WIFE.
   (See: "The Joy of a New Parsonage." Also "The Minister's Home," October number of THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY. Also "The Building of it," in June number of THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY.

The Fifty-sixth Annual Meeting of the Congregational Church Building Society was held this year in the Church of the Pilgrims, Brooklyn, N. Y. It is a significant fact, that just fifty-five years ago, the Society, then one year old, met in the same place, to formulate plans for untried service. This led naturally to a review of the work of more than half a century, and the summing up of results. During this interval the Society has helped to build nearly 4,000 houses of worship, 1,054 parsonages, and received nearly six millions of dollars to carry on this beneficent work.

Does it pay? There has always appeared a peculiarly spiritual element in this work. The church and the parsonage are silent heralds of the Gospel. The Society helps churches to help themselves. It makes them self-respecting. Not less than $130,-639 has been paid back during 1908, by churches that are still beneficiaries of the Society.

Women's Home Missionary Unions have helped to complete six churches, and eight parsonages during the year. Sunday-schools and Christian Endeavor Societies have built four churches in 1908.

THE APPORTIONMENT PLAN.

Herein lies the stronghold of our benevolences. Twenty-two churches have already assumed this obligation. It means an offering from every active church in the denomination, and an assured and increasing income for the Society. Last year 3,059 churches made no contribution for this work, chiefly from lack of systematized effort. There is an enlarging and appealing opportunity on every hand.

Do not fail to secure the valuable

and abundant literature suggested in the outline of the program, all of which will be furnished by Rev. C. H. Richards, D.D., 287 Fourth Avenue, New York City, and can also be obtained from the Branch Offices in Chicago, Boston and St. Louis. Local churches will no doubt have copies of the *Church Building Quarterly*, and the AMERICAN MISSIONARY.

Applications for literature concerning the programs should always be made directly to the Secretaries of the National Societies. If this is borne in mind, it will relieve the ever-willing Federation officers of unnecessary correspondence, and also avoid delay.

FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING

The fourth annual meeting of the National Federation, at Elgin, Illinois, October 6-8, was one of the best in its history. Twenty-nine states were represented by delegates or messages, showing a large community of interest. As nearly as can be learned, $148,700 was contributed by the state organizations to Congregational work. Each state directs its own work, but it is interesting to think of what the aggregate might do in united definite work should this ever be the best plan.

Congregational women would have no represenation or equipment for working with other denominations, in a national way, for but the Federation.

The same committee was continued on the new Council of Women for Home Missions.

Attention is called to the list of topics for 1909-1910 reprinted from the June number of THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY, as a convenient leaflet, by the Congregational Home Missionary Society. It is especially valuable for circulation and for reference.

It has been suggested that concise definite reports, from our several State Unions, would offer a helpful stimulus to other States. With this in view, we offer this month a report of the well-organized work of the Vermont Union. Conditions vary, problems are different in our Unions North, West, South and East. The Editorial Secretary asks for voluntary reports from the several Unions.

THE VERMONT W. H. M. U.

The Woman's Home Missionary Union of Vermont promises to raise $5,450 this year. The following apportionment to the National Societies was made at the annual meeting in May. Always putting our state first, we have for years given to the Vermont Domestic Missionary Society $1,000. For a number of years this sum has been used for the salaries of young women missionaries who visit the out-districts, bring to isolated families the invitation to attend the nearest church, or to attend meetings held in their vicinity; helping them in a thousand ways to understand the spirit of the Gospel of Christ, and striving to bring out in characters, long hardened it may be, the image of God, thus fulfilling God's purpose to bring into the kingdom any who have come to feel "nobody cares" for their best interests. We have two noble young women now doing just this, and three will soon be in the field. To the Congregational Home Missionary Society we pledge $1,200 and we have four noble missionaries assigned to us. To the American Missionary Association we have sent, for a number of years, $1,350.

To the Church Building Society, the right hand of the C. H. M. S., we always subscribe $500 a year. This year a parsonage will receive the full amount—a Wyoming field where a pastor with his family have been living in a miserable shack, and absolutely could find no other place. A cozy parsonage will be ready another year.

To the Congregational Education Society, the $600 promised will be used for the Rio Grande Industrial School at Albuquerque, N. M. Mr.

Heald, the H. M. Society's representative for seventeen years, also is working under the C. E. S., having oversight of its six schools.

Under the Congregational Sunday-School and Publishing Society we have a noble worker. Some of you have heard of Miss Isely, and thus you know how devoted she will labor for the development of this work in Utah, a new district for the Missionary department of the Sunday-School and Publishing Society.

We rejoice in the noble company of men and women whom it has been our privilege for the past twenty-one years to serve. We are planning, praying, giving, and find our own lives enriched through this service. Our Auxiliaries are very earnestly striving to meet the apportionment assigned them, and there is a fine *esprit de corps* manifest in letters and in conferences.

HARRIET L. VAN PATTEN,
Cor. Sec'y, Vt. W. H. M. U.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS OF RECEIPTS

Congregational Home Missionary Society

Washington Choate, D. D., Treasurer

September, 1909

MAINE—$2.
Harrison: W. L. Grover, 1. **Strong:** E. W. Hamblet, 1.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—$142.90.
New Hamp. H. M. Soc., A. B. Cross, Tr., 80.82. **Auburn:** Mrs. S. H. Watson, 2. **Bethlehem:** 3.16. **Bretton Woods:** A Friend, 8. **Brookline:** A. B. Russell, 2. **Concord:** N. F. Carter, 1. **Derry:** First, 6.87. **Durham:** S. S., 11.25. **Hampton:** E. G. Cole, 1. **Keene:** First, "Every Day Club, 5. **Lakeport:** W. C. Landis, 1. **Lyme:** Mrs. E. A. Fales, 1. **Mason:** L. E. Goodwin, 1. **Orfordville:** 3.30. **Plainfield:** Mrs. S. R. Baker, 1. **Temple:** 13.50. **Wilton:** Mrs. F. B. Tyler, 1.

VERMONT—$212.18.
Vt. Dom. Miss. Soc., J. T. Ritchie, Tr., 109.49. **Benson:** Mrs. L. S. Austin, 1; D. McDonell, 2. **Bristol:** First, 5.04. **Burlington:** Mrs. Englesby, 25. **Fairfax:** Mrs. E. S. Chamberlin, 1; Mrs. M. A. Forsyth, 1. **Island Point:** W. W. Bosworth, 5. **Middlebury:** Mrs. S. W. Hamblen, 1. **Montpelier:** Mrs. C. S. Hopkins, 1; J. N. Perrin, 2. **Newfane:** 25. **Plainfield:** Mr. and Mrs. J. Thomas, 1. **South Hero:** E. E. Fletcher, 5; Mrs. H. Robinson, 1; W. W. Styles, 5; Mrs. W. W. Styles, 1. **Wallingford:** Miss C. M. Townsend, 50c. **Weybridge:** 13.15. **West Brattleboro:** R. P. Wheeler, 5. **Windsor:** Mrs. R. M. Hall, 1. **Woodstock:** Mrs. M. McMaster, 1.

MASSACHUSETTS—$771.25 (of which legacy, $100).
Abington: F. D. Hunt, 1; A. B. Vaughn, 10. **Acton Center:** 10.43. **Amherst:** Est. of Philip D. Spaulding, 100; M. L. Dana, 1. **Andover:** Mrs. M. F. Babbitt, 1; L. A. Clarke, 1; Wesley Richardson, 1. **Athol:** T. H. Goodspeed, 1. **Auburn:** M. E. Bond, 2. **Auburndale:** M. H. Kimball, 1. **Bedford:** Mrs. J. A. Lane, 20. **Boston:** Miss E. L. Buttrick, 2; A. Dutton, 5; J. A. Penfield, 10. **Boxford:** First, 30; First S. S., 10. **Bridgewater:** Mrs. M. C. Dingwell, 5. **Brighton:** Mrs. C. B. Travis, 1. **Cambridge:** Mrs. E. C. Moore, 2; H. A. Stewart, 1. **Campello:** Mrs. H. Dunbar, 5. **Canton:** 51.19. **Concord:** Miss A. L. Hicks, 2. **East Boxford:** M. N. Cleaveland, 1. **East Bridgewater:** H. Wade, 10. **East Charlemont:** 6. **Great Barrington:** D. W. Beckwith, 1. **Greenfield:** Mrs. E. L. Stone, 2. **Haydenville:** 5.36. **Leominster:** F. A. Whitney, 15 **Ludlow:** A Friend, 1. **Manchester:** Dr. R. T. Glendenning, 2. **Medford:** D. W. Wilcox: 20. **Northampton:** Mrs. Reed and Mrs. L. S. Sanderson, 5. **No. Wilbraham:** Mrs. R. Sikes, 1. **Oxford:** Mrs. L. B. White, 2. **Petersham:** E. B. Dawes, 200. **Pittsfield, South:** A Friend: 8; C. K. Ferry, 5. **Princeton:** First, 47.27. **Roxbury:** Mrs. A. C. Thompson, 25. **Salem:** Tab., 100. **Sheffield:** Mary R. Leonard, 5.25, 3. **Shrewsbury:** A. J. Harlow, 1. **Southampton:** H. B. Lyman, 5. **Spencer:** Mrs. S. A. Temple, 10. **Springfield:** Miss A. Shepherd, 1. **Stockbridge:** Geo. E. Dresser, 5. **Three Rivers:** R. C. Newell, 1. **Waltham:** Miss M. F. Smith, 5. **Wellesley:** Mrs. E. E. Denniston, 10. **Worcester:** Dr. C. Crisand, 1; Mrs. E. Sawyer, 2.

RHODE ISLAND—$103.24 (of which legacy, $17).
R. I. H. M. Soc., Jos. W. Rice, Tr., 22.54. **Pawtucket:** Estate of Abner Atwood, 17; P. Davenport, 2; A. C. Sheldon, 1. **Providence:** A. W. Claflin, 50; Evan, 10.70.

CONNECTICUT—$5,451.93 (of which legacy, $2,500).
Bridgeport: Black Rock S. S., 6.39. **Bristol:** 20. **Broad Brook:** 11.26. **Brooklyn:** Mrs. G. L. Davison, 1. **Canaan:** H. C. Barnes, 10. **Clinton:** Mrs. C. E. Carter, 1; Mrs. C. H. Grinnell, 1. **Columbia:** Mrs. M. L. Fuller, 2. **Danbury:** H. G. Penfield, 5. **Derby:** F. Bradley, 1. **East Berlin:** H. A. Mildrum, 1. **East Hampton:** E. D. Borton, 1. **East Windsor:** Mrs. R. H. Bartlett, 1. **East Woodstock:** Miss E. Allen, 2. **Ellington:** Mr. and Mrs. C. Bradley, 1.50. **Ellsworth:** 15.50. **Essex:** Mrs. A. A. Kelsey, 1. **Fairfield:** Mrs. A. Bennett, 1. **Greenwich:** Estate of Milo Mead, 2,500; Second S. S., 23.32; Stillson Benev. Soc.,

600; A Friend, 1. **Hampton:** 16.50; Mrs. J. W. Congdon, 5. **Hartford:** Farmington Ave., 54.52; Pilgrim, 10; E. W. Stone, 5; Miss E. J. Thompson, 2. **Harwinton:** 9.22. **Kent:** E. L. Gibbs, 1; Mrs. R. J. Hopson, 10. **Lebanon:** Goshen C. E., 1.20. **Litchfield:** "G. W. McN.," 2; Miss E. A. Whitney, 2. **Madison:** Mrs. W. Lewis, 1; J. J. Marsh, 1. **Mansfield Center:** N. E. Barrows, 1. **Middletown:** F. E. Bacon, 1; J. Gilbert, 2; Mrs. T. Gilbert, 2. **New Britain:** Mrs. G. E. Merriman, 2. **New Haven:** A Friend, 1,000; W. L. Lines, 1; Mrs. C. S. Talcott, 1; Mrs. D. Umberfield, 1. **New London:** Mrs. F. Preist, 1. **New Milford:** Mrs. E. E. Green, 1. **Norfolk:** F. S. Stearns, 5; Mrs. E. T. Butler, 1. **Northfield:** Mrs. H. Morse, 5. **North Stonington:** 10. **Norwalk:** Mrs. H. S. St. John, 2. **Norwich:** C. Bard, 1. **Pequabuch:** Mrs. N. E. Moody, 1. **Plainville:** J. E. Tillotson, 1. **Putnam:** Mrs. C. H. Brown, 2; Mrs. G. Pratt, 1. **Ridgefield:** Miss B. B. Gilbert, 1. **Rockville:** E. S. Mead, 5. **Salisbury:** 27.27. **Seymour:** A. Y. Beach, 1. **Southington:** J. F. Pratt, 1. **Warehouse Point:** Mrs. D. Phelps, 1. **Waterbury:** Mrs. M. L. Mitchell, 1,000; L. W. Tillotson, 2. **Westfield:** S. S., 10. **West Hartford:** Miss C. A. Colton, 1; Mrs. E. W. Morris, 10. **Woodstock:** F. N. Butler, 5.
Woman's H. M. Un., Mrs. J. B. Thompson, Tr., 10.

NEW YORK—$1,195.73 (of which legacy, $1,001.94).
N. Y. H. M. Soc., C. W. Shelton, D.D., Tr., 1.63. **Angola:** A. H. Ames, 5. **Baiting Hollow:** N. M. Talmage, 1. **Bellport:** J. P. Roberts, 5. **Bergen:** Estate of Lorenzo J. Deming, 907.29. **Brooklyn:** Estate of H. G. Coombes, 93.75; Mrs. J. S. Bailey, 5; A. E. E. Wallgram, 5. **Buffalo:** W. H. Hill, 10; M. E. Remington, 1; W. W. Hammond, 5. **Canaan:** 7.34. **Churchville:** A. D. Stone, 5. **Clifton Springs:** Mrs. A. Pierce, 10. **Clinton:** M. E. Fuller, 1. **Fairport:** 16.50; Mrs. E. M. Chadwick, 10. **Highbridge:** Mrs. R. Turner, 1. **Jamestown:** G. C. Kidder, 2; Miss J. Underwood, 2. **Lima:** A. Friend, 14. **Marcellus:** J. Hemenway, 5. **Mt. Sinai:** 15.08; Wm. A. French, 1. **Mount Vernon:** Mrs. F. M. Bean, 5. **N. Y. City:** M. Campbell, 5; L. Klopsch, 10; Friend, 10. **Newburgh:** Mrs. G. Hemstrong, 1. **Portchester:** A Friend, 2. **Poughkeepsie:** First, 1. **Riga:** S. S., 5. **Rocky Point:** M. S. Hallock, 2. **Roxbury:** Mrs. M. E. Clark, 1. **Scarsdale:** 10. **Syracuse:** Mrs. I. C. Rhoades, 10. **Tallman:** C. Reinald, 1. **Warsaw:** Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Barber, 10; Mrs. L. D. Jenks, 1; Mrs. M. D. Jenks, 1. **White Plains:** Mrs. M. A. Bosworth, 5.

NEW JERSEY—$24.
Dover: Swedes Beth., 2. **Montclair:** C. M. Dutcher, 5; R. Spaulding, 2. **Newark:** G. A. Wheeler, 10. **Plainfield:** Mrs. G. T. Rhoades, 1. **Vineland:** S. S., 2; D. S. Sexton, 2.

PENNSYLVANIA—$51.50.
Cambridge: Mrs. R. C. Quay, 2. **Chandler's Valley:** Swedes, 1.50. **Du Bois:** Swedes, 2. **Kane:** Mrs. J. Davis, 25. **Philadelphia:** Mrs. D. Pierson, 1; Mrs. S. R. Weed, 5. **Wernersville:** Miss M. M. Foote, 10.
Woman's H. M. Un., Mrs. D. Howells, Treas., Wilkesbarre, Hillside St., W. S., 5.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—$260.
Washington: First, 105; **Mt. Pleasant,** 150; W. G. Fowler, 5.

NORTH CAROLINA—$26 (of which legacy $25).
Dudley: 1. **Southern Pines:** Est. C. D. Tarbell, 25.

ALABAMA—$2.16.
Birmingham: East S. S., 2.16.

NEW MEXICO—$25.
Received by Rev. J. H. Heald, White Oaks, 5. **Gallup:** First, 20.

TENNESSEE—$5.
Woman's Missy. Un., H. L. Napier, Tr., Nashville, 5.

OHIO—$45.74.
Cong. Conf., Ohio., Rev. J. G. Fraser, Tr., 14.90. **Ashland:** 17.84. **Cleveland:** Mrs. P. B. Smith, 1. **Conneaut:** 1. **Mansfield:** Miss E. J. Bowers, 1. **Oberlin:** Mrs. P. A. Crafts, 10.

INDIANA—$1.
Indianapolis: Mrs. G. E. Hill, 1.

ILLINOIS—$212.
Batavia: L. C. Patterson, 5. **Morrison:** R. Wallace, 200. **Mound City:** T. M. Ford, 1. **Peoria:** German, 6.

MISSOURI—$3.60.
Springfield: Rev. J. F. Graf, 3.60.

MICHIGAN—49.76.
Mich. Cong. Conf., C. A. Gower, Tr., 45.43. **Otsego:** 4.33.

WISCONSIN—$51.28.
Wis Cong. Assoc., C. M. Blackman, Tr., 32.58. **Clear Lake:** Swedes, 3. **Ekdall:** Scands. and Wood Lake, Swedes, 3.20. **Elkhorn:** Mrs. L. M. Greene, 5. **Merrill:** Rev. T. E. Ahlstedt, 2.50. **Polar:** German, 5.

IOWA—$501.
Humboldt: M. Whiton, 1. **Keosauqua:** L. Valentine, 500.

MINNESOTA—$388.84.
Received by Rev. G. R. Merrill: **Belgrade:** 7.50. **Minneapolis:** Fremont Ave., 58.30; Plymouth, 50.41; **Northfield:** 99.94; **Satherville:** 5. **Wayzata:** 13.65.
Duluth: Hon. W. Ames, 25. **Granada:** 7.50. **Minneapolis:** Plymouth, 121.54.

KANSAS—$2.
Lawrence: K. L. Riggs, 2.

NEBRASKA—$95.
Neb. H. M. Soc., Rev. S. I. Hanford, Sec., 50. **Hastings:** German, 20. **Inland:** Ger., 20. **Olive Branch:** German, 5.

NORTH DAKOTA—$30.43.
Foxholm: 1.58; **Berthold:** 1.30; **Plaza:** 25c.; by Rev. E. S. Shaw.
Sentinel Butte: 82c. **Ruder:** 1.03. **Gascoyne:** 1.26. **Scranton:** 63c.
Woman's H. M. Un., Mrs. E. H. Stickney, Tr.: **Cooperstown:** Miss. Band, 2.50; Miss. Soc., 3.06. **Fargo:** First C. E., 2; A Friend, 5. **Wahpeton:** Ladies' Miss. Soc., 10. Total, $23.56.

SOUTH DAKOTA—$711.07.
Ada, Harding Grove and **Millsville:** 5.32. **Frankfort:** Mrs. D. M. Colton, 700. **Lebanon:** 5.75.

COLORADO—$502.28.
Received by Rev. G. A. Hood: **Blanca:** 4.48. **Colorado Springs:** First, M. C. Gile, 50. **Crested Butte:** 7.55. **Denver:** North, 18; Ohio Ave., 79.25. **Eaton:** 52.60. **Longmont:** 28.94. **Paonia:** First, 3. **Park Hill:** 11.60. **Pueblo:** Irving Place, 5.45. **Minnequa:** 1. Total, $261.87.
Denver: Pilgrim, 5.45. **Marble:** 100. **Montrose:** 25. **Rye:** 5.
Woman's H. M. Un., Mrs. Chas. Rogers, Tr.: **Boulder:** 10. **Denver:** Boulevard, 13.79; North, 5; Plymouth, 10; Second, 25.

Fountain: 5. **Greeley:** 6.17. **Montrose:** 20. **Pueblo:** First, 10. Total, $104.96.

WYOMING—$74.43.
Woman's H. M. Union, Miss E. M. McCrum, Treas.: **Cheyenne,** 50.60. **Pinedale:** 1. **Sheridan:** 2.83. **Wheatland:** 20. Total, $74.43.

MONTANA—$2.05.
Helena: 2.05.

IDAHO—$8.
Woman's H. M. U., Mrs. G. W. Derr, Tr.: **Pocatelo:** W. Aux., 8.

CALIFORNIA, NORTH—$6.41.
Lincoln: 6.41.

CALIFORNIA, SOUTH—$3.50.
Los Angeles: Mrs. E. L. Duckles, 1; Miss L. M. Lawson, 50c. **Moneta:** Mrs. S. A. Gillette, 2.

OREGON—$40.
Beaver Creek: German, 15. **Cedar Mills:** German, 15. **Eugene:** Ch. and C. E., 5. **Ontario:** First, 5.

WASHINGTON—$655.
Washington Cong. H. M. Soc., Rev. H. B. Hendley, Tr., 6.50. **Seattle:** J. S. Claghorn, 5.

SEPTEMBER RECEIPTS.

Contributions	$8,013.24	
Legacies	3,643.04	
		$11,656.28
Interest		630.00
Literature		27.77
Total		$12,314.05

STATE SOCIETY RECEIPTS

NEW HAMPSHIRE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Alvin B. Cross, Treasurer, Concord. Receipts for September, 1909.

Ctr. Ossipee: 13. **Milton Mills:** 1.35. **Newcastle:** 5. **No. Groton:** S. S., 3.25. **North Hampton:** 9. **Ossipee:** 8. **So. Merrimack:** 6.25. **Washington:** 5.10. Total, $50.95.

MASSACHUSETTS HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

H. N. Hoyt, D.D., Treasurer, Boston.

Receipts for September, 1909.

Andover: Ballardvale, Union, 8.50; West, 51.84. **Barnstable:** So., 6. **Boston:** Friend, 5; Mendell. Fund, for investment, 30. **Brackett Fund,** Income of, 15. **Cambridge:** Finns, 4.84. **Dennis:** So., 10. **Falmouth:** First, 10; Waquoit, 3. **Fitchburg:** Finn., 9.90; Tolman, C. S., 2. **Gardner:** Finns, 4.14. **Gurney** Fund, Income of, 20. **Hatfield:** 35.38. **Hawley:** First, 1.50. **Kingston:** Mayflower, 10. **Littleton:** 7.46. **Longmeadow:** First: 80.72. **Milton:** First Evang., 22.28. **Newtonville:** Central, 1.50; Friend, 25. **New Boston:** Sandisfield, First, 4. **New Braintree:** 10.55. **New Marlboro:** Mill River, 12.14. **New Salem:** 13. **North Brookfield:** J. C. Whiting, for investment, 1,500. **North Reading:** L. K. Bennett, for investment, 1,000. **Oakham:** 5. **Plymouth:** Pilgrimage, 57.09. **Reed Fund,** Income of, 127.50. **Rockport:** Pigeon Cove, Swede, 5. **Sandwich:** 15.82. **Sharon:** 27.61. **Skillings Fund,** Income of, 40. **Winchendon:** No., 52.98. **Winthrop:** Pt. Shirley, 5.

Designated for Massachusetts: **No. Carver,** 25. **Conway:** 18.99. **Hardwick:** Gilbertville, 156. **Holyoke:** Second, 200. **Hyde Park:** 25. Designated for East Boston Mission: **Wellesley Hills:** S. S. Home Dept., 3. Designated for Mr. Taft's work: **So. Wellfleet:** Second, 5. Designated for Jews: **Holyoke:** Second, 13. Designated Mr. Cook's salary: **Berkshire** Co., 50. Designated for Mr. Anderson's salary: **Franklin Co.,** 30.

SUMMARY.

Regular (does not include legacies, income, etc.), $655.75; Designated for Massachusetts, 424.99; Designated for East Boston Mission, 3; Designated for Mr. Taft's work, 5; Designated for the Jews, 13; Designated for Mr. Cook's salary, 50; Designated for Mr. Anderson's salary, 30; American Missionary, 1. Total, $1,182.74.

THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CONNECTICUT.

Joel S. Ives, Treasurer, Hartford. Contributions for September, 1909.

Abington: 15. **Bethlehem:** S. S., 8.24. **Bolton:** 8.40. **Colebrook:** 20.82. **Eastford:** 10. **East Haven:** 26. **Griswold:** 10. **Higganum:** 9. **Middletown:** First, 14.70. **Naugatuck:** Swd., 7. **New Haven:** Plymouth, 70. **Sherman:** 2. **Simsbury:** 11.80. **Somersville:** 4.25. **South Windsor:** Second, 18.30. **Thompson:** 10.40. **Waterbury:** Swd. Mission, 8. **Watertown:** 123.68. **West Haven:** 12.80. **West Suffield:** 27.13. **Wilton:** S. S., 5. Undesignated, $397.03. Special, $25.49.

CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE OF OHIO.

J. G. Fraser, D.D., Treas., Cleveland. Receipts for August, 1909.

Columbus: Washington Av., 16.60. **Elyria:** Second, 9. **Toledo:** Washington St., 3.11. **Twinsburg:** S. S., 7. Total, $35.71.

From the Ohio Woman's Home Missionary Union, Mrs. G. B. Brown, Treas.: **Akron, West:** W. M. S., 3.80. **Cleveland:** Euclid Av. W. A., 45.50, 4.20; Highland, K. D., 5; Park, W. A., 1.40. **East Cleveland:** M. B., 1.42. **Fredericksburg:** W. M. S., 70c. **Mt. Vernon:** W. M. S., 4. **Toledo:** Central, W. M. S., 10. **Unionville:** Jr. C. E., 1.40. **Wayne:** W. M. S., 1.50. Total, $78.92. Grand Total, $114.63.

MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE.

C. A. Gower, Treasurer, Lansing.

Receipts for July, 1909.

Merrill: 5. **Echo:** 60c. **Flat Rock:** 2.50. **Clare:** 5.30. **East Leroy:** 8.50. **Olivet:** 20.87. **Clare:** 3.75. **Litchfield:** 5.48. **Sandstone:** 15. **East Paris:** 5. **Johnstown** and **Barry:** 10; Mrs. F. A. Avery, Parma, 7. **St. Clair:** 22.72. **Michigan Center:** 2. Total: $113.72.

Receipts for August, 1909.

Grand Blanc: 12.52. **Lamont:** 15. **Echo:** 50c. **Mulliken:** 2. **Three Oaks:** 28.50. **Clare:** 3.75. W. H. M. U., Michigan branch, 126.97. Total, $189.24.

DONATIONS OF CLOTHING, ETC.

Reported at the National Office in August, 1909.

Amherst, N. H.: Char. Ass'n, Infant's Wardrobe, $30. **Bloomfield, Conn.:** 1 bbl., $69.20. **Blooming Grove, N. Y.:** King's Daughters, package and money, $57.90. **Concord, N. H.:** First Ch., 1 box, $145.78. **Lancaster, N. H.:** Lad. Aux., 1 bbl., $29.10. **Sparta, Wis.:** Y. W. Bible Class, 1 bbl., $25. **Warsaw,** N. Y.: 1 bbl., $79. **Wellsville, N. Y.:** Lad. Soc., 1 box, $150.75.

The American Missionary Association

H. W. Hubbard, Treasurer

Receipts for September, 1909

The Daniel Hand Educational Fund For Colored People

Income for September	$11,266.99
Previously acknowledged	64,095.72
	$75,362.71

Current Receipts

Note.—Where no name follows that of the town, the contribution is from the church and society of that place. Where a name follows, it is that of the contributing church or individual. S. S. means Sunday School; Ch. means Church; C. E., the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor; S. A., means Student Aid.

MAINE—$1,537.59.

Augusta: First Ch., W. M. S., for S. A. Fisk U., 29. **Biddeford:** Second S. S., for S. A., Saluda, N. C., 12.50. **Dennysville:** Ch., 4. **Eliot:** Ch., 5. **Ellsworth:** Maria B. Perry, 2.50. **Farmington:** S. S., for S. A. Fisk U., 16.15. **Gorham:** A Friend, 50. **Lewiston:** Pine St. Ch., 30. **North Yarmouth:** Ch., 6. **Portland:** Second Parish Ch., 10; State St. Ch. S. S., for S. A. Fisk U., 50. **Saco:** Ch., for S. A. Fisk U., 50. **South Gardiner:** Ch., 12. **Thomaston:** E. P. George (deceased), 1,000. **Warren:** Ch., 8.45; C. E., 2.

The Woman's Home Missionary Union of Maine, Mrs. Helen W. Davis, Treas.: **Jackson:** W. M. S., 3. **Searsport:** Second W. M. S., 9.25. Interest on Ricker Fund, 237.74. Total, $249.99.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—$1,036.12.

Bennington: Ch., 7.15. **Canterbury:** C. E., 5. **Chester:** Ch., 5.94. **Gilsum:** Ch., 12. **Hampton:** Ch., 5.58. **Haverhill:** First Ch., 10. **Hebron:** Ch. and C. E., 6.25. **Langdon:** A Friend of Missions, 4. **Manchester:** First Ch., 78.34. **Mason:** Ch., 7.50. **Milton Mills:** Ch., 90c. **New Castle:** Ch., 5.50. **Ossipee:** Ch., 4. **Pembroke:** Ch., 7.61. **Portsmouth:** Martha J. Lowd (deceased), 666.67. **Rochester:** Given in the name of Henry M. Plumer, late of Rochester, N. H., for Piedmont College, 50. **Salisbury:** Ch., 1. **Temple:** Ch., 9. **Tilton:** Ch., 50. **Wakefield:** First Ch., 2.10. **Webster:** First Ch., 13.53. **West Lebanon:** Ch., 28.20. **Wilton:** Second Ch., to const., Dr. C. Elizabeth Rice, L. M., 30.85.

New Hampshire Female Cent. Institution and Home Miss'y Union, Miss Annie A. McFarland, Treas.: **Concord:** South Ch., Aux., by A Member, for S. A. Tougaloo U., 20. **Newport:** Aux., by Mrs. Josephine R. Gils, 5. Total, $25.

VERMONT—$2,570.26.

Brandon: Ch., 7. **Brattleboro:** Centre Ch., 75. **Cabot:** M. L. Abbott (deceased), 100. **Cornwall:** Ch., 17.62. **McIndoe Falls:** Ch., 20. **Pawlet:** Ch., 2. **Saxton's River:** Ch., 13.25; C. E., 2.75. **St. Johnsbury:** Center Ch., 3.45; North Ch., add'l, by A Friend of Missions, 25; South Ch., 100. **Shoreham:** Ch., 25. **Windsor:** South Ch. S. S., 5. **Woodstock:** Ch., 50. **Worcester:** A Friend (deceased), 2,000.

Woman's Congregational Home Miss'y Union of Vermont, Mrs. C. H. Thompson, Treas.: **Barton:** Jr. S. S., for S. A. at Grand View and Moorhead, 2.95. **Bellow's Falls:** Primary S. S., for Scholarships, 7.18. **Berkshire, East:** Jr. C. E., for S. A. Moorhead, 1. **Danville:** Jr. C. E., for S. A., Santee, Neb., 3.25. **Enosburg:** Primary S., for Scholarships, 4.84. Interest on Mrs. Martin's Legacy, 30. Irasburg Rainbow Club, for S. A. Grand View, 1.10. **Newfane:** Homeland Circle, for Grand View, 5. **New Haven:** Ladies' Union, for Porto Rico, 3.37. **Orwell:** Jr. C. E., for Scholarships, 7. **Pittsford:** Nick Natchett Club, for Scholarships, 6. **Royalton:** S. S., for Grand View, 5. **Saxton's River:** L. B. S., for McIntosh, Ga., 5. **St. Johnsbury:** South Ch., by Mrs. Rebecca P. Fairbanks, for Grand View, Tenn., and Porto Rico, 25. **St. Johnsbury Center:** Jr. C. E., for Scholarships, 6. **Waitsfield:** Home Circle, for McIntosh, Ga., 4.50. **Westminster, West:** Jr. C. E., for S. A., Grand View, Tenn., and Santee, Neb., 7. Total, $124.19.

MASSACHUSETTS—$7,818.41.

(Donations, $4,468.40; Legacies, $3,350.01.)

Agawam: Ch., for Piedmont College, 10. **Amherst:** A Friend, 5. **Andover:** Miss Alice Bell's S. S. Class, for Fisk U., 10. **Athol:** Ch., 25.07. **Attleboro:** Ladies' Sewing Soc., for S. A. Fisk U., 25. **Beachmont:** Trin. Ch., 5. **Beverly:** Dane St. Ch., 120. **Boston:** Charlotte M. Fiske, for Fisk U., 100; H. A. Wilder, for Fisk University, 1,000; Dorchester, Mr. and Mrs. Z. A. Norris, to Furnish Four Rooms at Saluda Seminary, N. C., 100; West Roxbury, Miss S. A. Craft, 20. **Bradford:** Academy Pupils, for S. A., Grand View, Tenn., 22. **Braintree:** M. A. K., in First Ch., 5. **Brookline:** Harvard Ch., 19.80; Miss Annie M. Bond, for S. A., Grand View, Tenn., 10. **Charlemont:** First Ch., 12. **Chester:** Second Ch., 2.80. **Concord:** Trin. Ch., 27.88. **Conway:** Ch., 15.11. **Dalton:** Hon. Wm. Murray Crane, for Fisk U., 100. **East Northfield:** Trin. Ch., 41.58. **Easton:** J. O. Dean, 10. **Edgartown:** Ch., 8. **Enfield:** Miss Marion A. Smith, 100. **Fitchburg:** German Ch., 4. **Foxboro:** Bethany Ch., 18.16. **Gilbertville:** Trinitarian Ch., 47.50. **Granby:** Ch., 8.45; S. S., 2.25. **Greenfield:** Second Ch., 27. **Hadley:** First C. E., 5. **Hawley:** First Ch., 80c. **Ipswich:** First Ch., 10; Mrs. Jos. Marshall, for S. A. Fisk U., 5. **Islington:** Ch., 1. **Lancaster:** Miss E. F. Merrick, 7. **Lee:** Ch., 90; S. S., 150. **Longmeadow:** Ch., for S. A. Fisk U., 50. **Lynnfield Center:** Ch., 7.60. **Malden:** Edward Gay, 50. **Milton:** First Ch., 20.51. **Monterey:** Ch., 5.19. **New Braintree:** Mrs. E. A. Sanger, for Piedmont College, 50. **Newton:** Eliot Ch., 89. **Newtonville:** Central Ch., 125; A Friend, 15. **Northampton:** Edwards' Church., 94.76; "W.," 207.90. **North Andover:** Mary Lyon Club., for S. A. Grand View, Tenn., 3.50. **Oldtown:** Ch., 3.03. **Palmer:** S. S., for Piedmont College, 21.90; L. H. Gager, for Piedmont College, 250. **Pigeon Cove:** Ch., 5. **Pittsfield:** A Friend in South Ch., 5. **Plymouth:** Ch. of the Pilgrimage: 20.62. **Randolph:** Miss A. W. Turner, 100. **Salem:** Tabernacle Ch., 100. **Sheffield:** Ch., 14.27. **South Deerfield:** Ch., 32.66. **South Hadley:** Ch., 16.27. **Springfield:** North Ch., 63; Park Ch., 18.37; Dr. W. F. Andrews, for Piedmont College,

18; "K.," 1. **Three Rivers:** Union Ch., for Piedmont College, 40. **Waquoit:** Ch., 3. **Wareham:** First Ch., 25. **Westhampton:** Ch., 18. **Whitinsville:** Village Cong'l S. S., 123.60. **Whitman:** First Ch., 7.82. **Wilbraham:** First Ch.. 11. **Winchendon:** North Ch., 30. **Woburn:** Ladies' Charitable Reading Society, for S. A. Fisk U., 50. **Worcester:** Greendale, Martha L. Rice, 2.

Woman's Home Miss'y Association of Mass. and R. I., Miss Lizzie D. White, Treas.: W. H. M. A., 400 (of which for Salaries, 390; and for Chinese, 10, and to const., Mrs. Ida J. Woods, L. M.) W. H. M. A., add'l for Salary in Porto Rico, 200. Total, $600.

LEGACIES.

Sutton: Elias L. Snow, by Monroe W. Ide, Executor, 1,000 (Reserve Legacy, 666.66), 333.34. **Worcester:** Edward A. Goodnow, 3,016.67.

RHODE ISLAND—$47.36.

(Donations, $41.70; Legacy, $5.66.)

Barrington: Ch., 25. **Pawtucket:** Park Place Ch., 6. **Providence:** Free Evan. Ch., 10.70.

LEGACY.

Pawtucket: Abner Atwood, by Robt. Cushman, Exec., 17 (Reserve Legacy, 11.34), 5.66.

CONNECTICUT—$4,782.10.

(Donations, $3,948.76; Legacies, $833.34.)

Abington: Ch., 5.20. **Barkhamsted:** Ch., 5. **Berlin:** Second Ch., 22.60. **Broad Brook:** Ch., 12.48. **Bridgeport:** Italian Cong. Ch., 1. **Bristol:** Ch., 35. **Brooklyn:** Ch., 22; S. S., 5; Friends, for Piano, Blanche Kellogg Institute, 18.50. **Canton Center:** Ch., 25. **Chaplin:** Ch., 4.73. **Danielson:** Harry E. Back, 1; Mary E. Day (deceased), 666.66. **Deep River:** R. L. Selden, 5. **Durham:** Ch., 36. **East Haddam:** First Ch., 13.28. **East Hampton:** Ch., 22.18. **East Woodstock:** Ch., 17. **Fairfield:** Ch., 83.60. **Falls Village:** Miss Hattie M. Millard, 1. **Gilead:** S. S., 10. **Greens Farms:** Ch., 13.75. **Griswold:** First Ch., 15.50. **Hampton:** Ch., 12.55. **Hanover:** Ch., 29. **Hartford:** Fourth Ch., 21.51; Wm. B. Clark, 5; Miss Eliza F. Mix, 3; H. P. Redfield, 10. **Lakeville:** Lester D. Brown, 15. **Meriden:** First Ch., 250; A Friend, 25. **Milford:** First Ch., 22.90. **Montville:** First Ch., 10. **Morris:** Ch., 5. **New Haven:** Plymouth Ch., 60; Henry G. Newton, 15. **New Preston:** S. S., 5. **North Woodstock:** Ch., 8.75. **Norwich:** Broadway Ch., add'l, 178.19; A Member of Park Cong'l Ch., for Piedmont College, 5. **Norwich:** Mrs. G. W. Lane, 50. **Preston City:** Preston Ch., 29.50. **Rockville:** Francis T. Maxwell, 100. **Salisbury:** Ch., 26.63. **Sherman:** A Friend, 2. **Somers:** Ch., 4.50. **South Norwalk:** First Ch., 27.82. **South Manchester:** Center Ch. C. E., for Saluda, N. C., 4.80. **South Windham:** Ch., 52.89. **Stafford Springs:** Friends in Cong. Ch., for Piano at Blanche Kellogg Institute, 15.50. **Stonington:** First Ch., 72. **Taftville:** Ch., 25. **Thompson:** Ch., 10.94. **Thomaston:** Ch., 21.13. **Washington:** Henry S. Nettleton, 10. **Waterbury:** Dr. Robt. Crane (deceased), 1,166.66. **West Haven:** First Ch., 11.95. **Westville:** Ch., 13.02. **Willington:** Ch., 1. **Windham:** First Ch., 28.37; C. E., for Blanche Kellogg Institute, Santurce, Porto Rico, 7.10. **Windsor:** C. E., 6. **Windsor Locks:** Ch., 139.57; E. A. N., 300.

Woman's Cong'l Home Miss'y Union of Conn., Mrs. J. B. Thomson, Treas.: **Plainville:** Aux. for Grand View, Tenn., 20. W. C. H. M. U., 80 (40 of which for Grand View, Tenn., and 40 for Thomasville, Ga.). Total, $100.

LEGACY.

Greenwich: Milo Mead, 2,500 (Reserve Legacy, 1,666.66), 833.34.

NEW YORK—$2,356.36.

(Donations, $2,047.27; Legacies, $309.09.)

Angola: Miss A. H. Ames, 5. **Binghamton:** East Side Ch., 12.12. **Briarcliff:** Ch., 36.59. **Buffalo:** W. W. Hammond, 5. **Candor:** Ch., 20.60. **Cortland:** H. E. Ranney, 100. **Dunkirk:** B. J. Gross, for Fisk U., 100. **Hopkinton:** Mrs. Laura L. Chittenden, 10. **Jamesport:** Ch., 3.40. **Lockport:** A. Friend, 1. **New Haven:** A Friend, 25. **New York:** Arthur Curtis James, for Fisk U., 1,000; Mrs. M. E. Dwight, 10; E. J. Ridgway, for Fisk U., 100. **Norwood:** Ch., 15. **Riverhead:** Sound Ave. Ch., 33.11. **Schenectady:** Pilgrim Ch., S. S., 1. **Sherburne:** L. M. Soc., for S. A. Fisk U., 25. **Sidney** Ch., 25. **Woodville:** Clara L. Blake, 10. **Summer Hill:** Ch., 9.45.—A Friend, 500.

LEGACY.

Batavia: Lorenzo: J. Deming, 1,008.19, less expenses, 80.92—927.27 (Reserve Legacy, 618.18), 309.09.

NEW JERSEY—$300.

Woman's Home Miss'y Union of the New Jersey Association, Mrs. W. E. Buell, Treas.: W. H. M. U. of N. J. Assoc., 300.

PENNSYLVANIA—$272.10.

Braddock: Thomas Addenbrook, 10. **Kane:** First Ch., 19.10. **McKeesport:** Swedish Ch. and S. S., 2. **Philadelphia:** Miss Harriet Blanchard, for Fisk U., 200; W. H. Lambert, for Fisk U., 35. **Ridgway:** M. K. Williams, 5. **Wind Gap:** S. S., 1.

OHIO—$5,214.43.

Ashland: Ch., 10.70. **Braceville:** George Stowe (deceased), 100. **Castalia:** Ladies' Working Band, 7.15. **Chatham** Ch., 12.50. **Chardon:** First Ch., 12. **Chippewa Lake:** Gaylord, Thomson, 25. **Clarksfield:** Ch., 2. **Cleveland:** Grace Ch., 5; Plymouth Ch., 10; Rev. John G. Fraser, 5; James F. Jackson, 10; Saml. Mather, for Fisk U., 100. **Columbus:** Plymouth Ch., 20.15. **Connenut:** H. E. Bond, for S. A., Fisk U., 1; Miss Elizabeth S. Brown, for S. A. Fisk U., 4. **Cuyahoga Falls:** C. E., for S. A. Fisk U., 25. **Elyria:** Ch., 11. **Jefferson:** Ladies' Aid Soc., Bbl. Goods and 2.15 for Freight to Tougaloo U. **Lodi:** Ch., 10. **Lucas:** Ch., 12; Rev. J. E. Bissell, 2.50. **Madison:** Central Ch., 23. **Mansfield:** First Ch., 115.42. **Oberlin:** First Ch., 33.92; Second Ch., 44.45; Mrs. E. B. Clark (deceased), for Indian Missions, 3,333.34; Mrs. L. G. B. Hills (deceased), for Indian iMssions, 666.66. **Steubenville:** Ch., 4. **Thompson:** Ch., 4. **Toledo:** C. T. Huntington, 25. **West Park:** Rockport Ch., for Furnishing at Saluda, N. C., 4.25.

Woman's Home Miss'y Union of Ohio, Mrs. G. B. Brown, Treas.: **Akron, West:** W. M. S., 2. **Alexandria:** W. M. S., 1.20. **Andover:** W. M. S., 2.98. **Ashland:** W. M. S., 3.60. **Austinburg:** W. M. S., 5.92. **Belpre:** W. M. S., 3.12. **Berea:** L. Dept., for Talladega College, 5. **Brownhelm:** W. M. S., 1.80. **Burton:** W. M. S., 5. **Charlestown:** W. M. S., 1. **Clarideu:** W. M. S., 2.16. **Clarksfield:** W. M. S., 1.20. **Cincinnati: Walnut Hills** C. E., 4.80. **Cleveland:** E. Madison Avenue W. M. S., 3.84; S. S., 20; First W. A., 14.40; Trinity W. A., 3.83; Highland C. E., 1.75; North W. M. S., 3.60; Trinity W. A., 2.17; Pilgrim W. M. S., 6.88; Union W. M. S., 1.66; Union C. E., 1.68; Cleveland Association, 75. **Columbus, North:** W. M. S., 3.70; Plymouth W. M. S., 15.60. **Connenut:** W. M. S., 5. **East Cleveland:** East W. A., 3.15. **Elyria:** First W. A., 12. **Gomer:** W. M. S, 1.44. **Greenwich:** W. M. S., 1.20. **Hudson:** W. A., 2.35. **Geneva:** L. G., 2.22. **Ironton:** W. M. S., 5.02. **Kirtland:** W. M. S., 2.50. **Lima:** W. M. S., 1.40.

Lock: W. M. S., 1.20. **Lodi:** W. M. S., 4.80. **Lorain:** First W. A., 9. **Madison:** W. M. S., 2.40. **Mansfield:** First W. M. S., 28.85; First, Personal, 25; Mayflower W. M. S., 2. **Marietta:** First, W. M. S., 1.20. Oak Grove W. M. S., 75c.; Putnam C. E., 1; First C. E., 3.33; Harmar W. M. S., 6.50. **Marysville:** W. M. S., 4.56; C. E., 1; S. S., 97c. **Mount Vernon:** W. M. S., 4.80. **Medina:** W. M. S., 5. **Newton Falls:** Personal, 3. **North Fairfield:** C. E., for Pleasant Hill, Tenn., 2.50. **North Olmsted:** W. M. S., 2.52; C. E., 1. **North Ridgeville:** W. M. S., 2.40. **Nottingham:** W. M. S., 2.40. **Oberlin:** First W. M. S., 15; First W. M. S., to const. Mrs. Alice E. Waters' L. M., 50; Second L. S., 19.20; Second S. S., 3.38. **Painesville:** First W. A., 72c **Penfield:** C. E., 1.28. **Plain:** W. M. S., 1.20. **Ravenna:** W. M. S., 5.76. **Richmond:** W. M. S., 12. **Richfield:** W. M. S., 1.67. **Ridgefield Corners:** C. E., 1.60. **Ruggles:** W. M. S., 2.67. **Springfield:** First W. M. S., 17.30. **Strongsville:** W. M. S., 2.88. **Sullivan:** W. M. S., 1.20. **Sylvania:** L. A., 2.40. **Tallmadge:** W. M. S., 15.25. **Toledo:** Birmingham W. M. S., 2.68; Central W. M. S., 95c.; Second Jr. C. E., 2.80; Central Jr. C. E., 2, for Indian M.; Plymouth Prim. S. S., 5.51, for Moorhead Miss.; Plymouth L. G., 3; Washington St. W. M. S., 15. **Twinsburg:** W. M. S., 4.80; C. E., 1.55. **Unionville:** W. M. S., 3. **Wakeman:** W. M. S., 60c. **Wauseon:** W. A., 7.20. **Wayne:** W. M. S., 85c. **West Williamsfield:** W. M. S., 2.40. **Windham:** W. M. S., 3.48. **York:** W. M. S., 2.88. **Youngstown:** Elm W. M. S., 1.48; Plymouth W. M. S., 10.80. **Zanesville:** W. M. S., 2.40. Total, $573.24.

ILLINOIS—$8,347.48.
(Donations, $7,830.81; Legacies, $516.67.)

Alton: Ch. of the Redeemeer, 51.57. **Chicago:** Waveland Ave. Ch., 10; D. W. C. Clapp (deceased), 5,000. **Evanston:** First Ch., 67.50. **Galesburg:** Thomas McClelland, for Emerson Institute, Mobile, Ala., 25. **Geneva:** First Ch., for S. A. Fisk U., 7. **Glencoe:** Ch., 67.12. **Hinsdale:** Miss Anna Dickinson, 5. **Joy Prairie:** S. S., 6.31. **Kewannee:** First Ch., 57.04. **La Grange:** First Ch., add'l, 31.50. **Marseilles:** Ch., 4.35; C. E., 5. **Mazon:** Ch., 4.60. **Morrison:** Robert Wallace, 50. **Normal:** Ch., 1.89. **Odell:** Ch., 35. **Oswego:** Ch., 5. **Peru:** Ch., 11.09. **Princeton:** Ch., 47.34. **Prophetstown:** Ch., 18.08. **Rockford:** Ralph Emerson, for Equipment for Shop, Emerson Institute, Mobile, Ala., 2.200. **Roscoe:** Ch., 3.57. **Streator:** Cora M. Roberts, for S. A. Fisk U., 25. **Villa Ridge:** C. E., 4. **West Frankfort:** Ch., 2.05.

Woman's Home Miss'y Union of Illinois, Mrs. A. H. Standish, Treas.: **Batavia:** W. S., 4. **Champaign:** W. M. S., 35c. **Chicago:** New England W. S., 22. **Decatur:** First W. M. S., 5. **Emington:** W. M. S., 5. **Evanston:** First W. M. S., 24.45. **Oak Park:** First Y. L., for Grand View, Tenn., 25. Total, $85.80.

LEGACIES.

Morrison: Wm. Wallace, 166.67. **Oak Park:** Matilda Wallace Love, 166.67. **Pittsfield:** Mrs. Phimelia B. Purkitt, by W. R. Wills, Adm'r, 500 (Reserve Legacy, 333.34), 166.66. **Sycamore:** Elizabeth Wood, 16.67.

MICHIGAN—$3,676.38.
(Donations, $1,296.59; Legacies, $2,379.79.)

Cadillac: First Ch., 18.55. **Coloma:** Ch., 5.42. **Constantine:** Rev. Wilmot E. Stevens, 5. **Delhi:** C. E. Soc. for S. A., Grand View, Tenn., 25. **Detroit:** First Ch., 125; J. L. Hudson, for Fisk U., 10; Mrs. G. F. Milton (deceased), 733.33. **Eastmanville:** Ch., 2. **Hudson:** C. B. Stowell, 25. **Laingsburg:** Ch., 1.80. **Lake Linden:** Ch., 3.18; S. S., 4.93. **Lamont:** Ch., 4. **New Haven:** C. E., for Blanche Kellogg Institute, Santurce, Porto Rico, 1. **Northport:** Ch., 2.04. **Olivet:** Ch., 3.15. **Otsego:** Ch., 2.70. **St. Clair:** Ch., 21.80. **St. Joseph:** Ch., 15. **Sherman:** Ch., 3. **Somerset:** Ch., 3.32. **Union City:** First Ch., 18.70. **Victor:** First Ch., 3. **West Adrian:** Ch., 5.35. **Ypsilanti:** First Ch., 20.

Woman's Home Miss'y Union of Michigan, Mrs. A. H. Stoneman, Treas.: **Allendale:** W. M. S.,, for Trinity Sch., 5. **Alpena:** W. M. S., 50. **Charlevoix:** 2. **Covert:** By Mrs. J. A. Scaman, for Grand View, 25; W. M. S., 10. **Grand Blanc:** W. M. S., 6. **Grand Rapids:** Park W. M. S., 25; Park C. E. 11; South W. M. S., for Santee, Neb., 23. **Greenville:** W. M. S., 5.65. **Ludington:** Mission Band, 10 (5 of which for Indian M.); Shining Lights Mission Band, for S. A., 10. **Portland:** W. M. S., 5. **Reed City:** W. M. S., for Santee, Neb., 3. **St. Clair:** Primary S. S., for Trinity School, 7.50. **Three Oaks:** S. S., Lincoln Mem., 15.67. **Traverse City:** W. M. S., 20.25 (14 of which for Indian M.). **Webster:** W. M. S., 25c. Total, $234.32.

LEGACIES.

Ann Arbor: Dr. C. L. Ford, 58.33. **Niles:** Dr. James Lewis, 1,884.12; Dr. James Lewis, 1,312 (Reserve Legacy, 874.66), 437.34.

IOWA—$269.74.
(Donations, $269.07; Legacy, 67c.)

Chester Center: Ch., 5.10. **Denmark:** Ch., 17. **Garner:** Ch., 13. **Le Mars:** Ch., 8.85. **Newton:** Ch., for S. A. Fisk U., 50. **Otho:** Ch., 25. **Pringhar:** First Ch., 7.18.

Woman's Home Miss'y Union of Iowa, Mrs. H. K. Edson, Treas.: **Cherokee:** C. E., 10. **Clarion:** C. E., for Pleasant Hill, 5. **Creston:** W. M. S., 5. **Des Moines:** Plymouth W. M. S., 3.30. **Elkader:** W. M. S., 5. **Emmetsburg:** W. M. S., 5. **Gilbert Station:** W. M. S., 15 (10 of which for Beach Inst. and 5 for Pleasant Hill). **Grinnell:** W. M. S., 10.15. **Iowa City:** S. S., 2.29 (of which 1.24 for S. A., Pleasant Hill, and 1.05 for S. A., Beach Inst.). **McGregor:** W. M. S., 25.50. **Newburg:** W. M. S., 5. **Traer:** W. M. S., 46.70. **Winthrop:** W. M. S., 5. Total, $142.94.

LEGACY.

Fontanelle: Alex. M. Gow, 67c.

WISCONSIN—$508.08.
(Donations, $327.60; Legacies, $180.48.)

Berlin: Ch., 8. **Burlington:** Ch., 6. **Genoa Junction:** Ch., 5. **Kenosha:** Ch., 2.55; Mrs. Carrie B. Hoyt, 50 (of which 21.25 for Fisk U.); C. E., for S. A., Fisk U., 28.75. **Lake Geneva:** Ch., 3.90. **Madison:** C. E., for Piedmont College, 25. **Milwaukee:** Hanover Ch., C. E., for S. A., Fisk U., 50; North Side Ch., 1. **Pittsville:** Ch., 1. **Rosendale:** First Ch., 12.50; S. S., 6.50. **Royalton:** Ch., 2. **South Wilwaukee:** Miss'y Soc., C. E., and S. S., for S. A., Fisk U., 25. **Spring Green:** Ch., 10. **Stockbridge:** Ch., 6. **Wauwatosa:** First Ch., for S. A., Fisk U., 50.

Woman's Home Miss'y Union of Wisconsin, Mrs. E. F. Hansen, Treas.: **Arena:** First W. M. S., 3.05. **Beloit:** First W. M. S., 1. **Brandon:** W. M. S., 3.74 (25c. of which for Indian Missions). **Delavan:** S. S., 3.36. **Edgerton:** W. M. S., 5. **Sun**

Prairie: W. M. S., 5.75. **Trego:** W. M. S., 2. **Wauwatosa:** W. M. S., 5.50. Unassigned, 5. Total, $34.40.

LEGACIES.

Appleton: Dr. J. T. Reeve, 104.52. **Beloit:** Ellen B. French, 10.96. **Oshkosh:** Mary E. Morgan, 65.

MINNESOTA—$256.78.

Clearwater: Ch., 10. **Minneapolis:** Fremont Ave. Ch., 17.15; Lyndale Ch., 17.10; Pilgrim Ch., 31.87; Plymouth Ch., 51.27; F. W. Lyman, 25; J. M. McBride, for S. A., Fisk U., 25. **Morristown:** Ch., 3.57. **Northfield:** First Ch., 53.03. **St. Charles:** Ch., 14.31. **St. Paul:** Pacific Ch., 6.13. **Sauk Rapids:** Ch., 2.35.

MISSOURI—$711.34.

Kansas City: Westminster Ch., 516. **Kidder:** Ch., 9.20. **Springfield:** First Ch., 21.94.

Woman's Home Miss'y Union of Missouri, Mrs. A. J. Steele, Treas.: **De Soto:** W. M. S., 1.60. **Kansas City:** First C. E., 5; Prospect Ave. L. M. S., 60c.; Westminster L. M. S., 32. **Maplewood:** W. M. S., 1. **Old Orchard:** Woman's Union, 1. **St. Louis:** First L. M. S., 16; Memorial L. M. S., 1; Pilgrim Woman's Assoc., Senior, 80; Woman's Assoc., Junior, 21.60; Union L. M. S., 1. **St Joseph:** Tabernacle L. M. S., 2.40. **Sedalia:** First Woman's Union, 1. Total, $164.20.

KANSAS—$231.41.

(Donations, $64.74; Legacy, $166.67.)

Capioma: Ch., 5. **Cora:** Ch., 3. **Council Grove:** Ch., 7.18. **Downs:** Ch., 10. **Haven:** Ch., 4. **Maize:** Ch., 5. **Onaga:** First Ch., 8. **Wakefield:** S. S., 2.56.

Woman's Home Miss'y Union of Kansas, Miss Emma W. Wallace, Treas.: **Fairmont:** W. M. S., for Blanche Kellogg Inst., Santurce, Porto Rico, 5. **Russell:** W. M. S., 5. **Wichita:** Fairmont Ch., 10. Total, $20.

LEGACY.

Manhattan: T. C. Wells, 166.67.

NEBRASKA—$138.57.

Ainsworth: Ch., 32.12 S. S., 5. **Cowles:** Ch., 5. **Doniphan:** First Ch., 6.39. **Inland:** German Ch., 6. **Omaha:** Saratoga Ch., 2. **Seward:** Ch., 25. **South Platte:** Ch., 3.06. **Spencer:** Ch., 7. **Verdon:** Ch., 10. **West Hamilton:** Ch., 2. **York:** First Ch., 35.

NORTH DAKOTA—$47.33.

Wahpeton: First Ch., 20.

Woman's Home Miss'y Union of North Dakota, Mrs. E. H. Stickney, Treas.: **Cooperstown:** L. M. S., 3.33. **Fargo:** First Ch., L. M. S., 24. Total, $27.33.

SOUTH DAKOTA—$195.35.

Brintford: Ch., 5. **Ceresbard:** Ch., 4. **Columbia:** Ch., 8. **Frankfort:** Mrs. D. M. Cotton, 90. **Grand River:** Ch., for Standing Rock, S. Dak., 15; Messiah Ch., for Standing Rock, So. Dak., 15. **Lane:** Ch., 4. **Rapid City:** Ch., 4.35. **Vermillion:** Ch., 45. **Wakonda:** Ch., 5.

COLORADO—$359.04.

Arriba: Ch., 1.29. **Flagler:** Ch., 3.17. **Fruita:** S. S., 5. **Steamboat Springs:** Ch., 3.

Woman's Home Miss'y Union of Colorado, Mrs. Chas. Rogers, Treas.: **Ault:** W. M. S., 5. **Colorado Springs:** First W. M. S., 50; Second, 3. **Cripple Creek:** W. M. S., 5. **Denver:** Second W. M. S., 60; Ohio Ave. W. M. S., 20; First W. M. S., 10; Third, 3.05; Boulevard, 13.78; Plymouth, 55; So. Broadway, 25; North C. E., 3. **Fountain:** W. M. S., 2. **Greeley:** W. M. S., 28. **Longmont:** W. M. S., 35. **Manitou:** W. M. S., 3. **Montrose:** W. M. S., 5. **Pueblo:** First W. M. S., 8; Pilgrim W. M. S., 5. **Rye:** W. M. S., 2. **Steamboat Springs:** W. M. S., 5.75. Total, $346.58

WYOMING—$16.90.

Woman's Miss'y Union of Wyoming, Miss Edith McCrum, Treas.: **Cheyenne:** W. M. S., $16.90.

OKLAHOMA—$7.85.

Agra: Ch., 1.85. **Anadarko:** Rev. A. W. Dobson, 1. **Kingfisher:** Ch., 5.

CALIFORNIA—$1,093.71.

San Diego: Geo. W. Marston, for Fisk U., 50. **San Francisco:** Receipts of the California Oriental Mission (see items below), 943.71.

Woman's Home Miss'y Union of Northern California, Mrs. J. M. Haven, Treas.: W. H. M. U., $100.

OREGON—$1,383.33.

Canyon City: E. S. Penfield (deceased), 1,333.33.

Woman's Home Miss'y Union of Oregon, Mrs. C. A. Mann, Treas.: **Portland:** First Ch., L. M. S., 20 (10 of which for Pleasant Hill, Tenn., and 10 for Blanche Kellogg Inst., Santurce, Porto Rico); Mrs. Clapp's S. S. Class, for Pleasant Hill, 2.50; W. H. M. U. of Oregon, Undesignated Funds, 27.50 (13.75 of which for Pleasant Hill, and 13.75 for Blanche Kellogg Inst.). Total, $50.

WASHINGTON—$115.

Ahtanum: Ch., 20. **Roy:** Ch., 5. **Seattle:** Pilgrim Ch., 90.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—$84.85.

Washington: Fisk Club, for Fisk University, 84.85.

NORTH CAROLINA—$17.58.

Dockery's Store: Middle District Association, 2.50. **Fayetteville:** First Ch., 3.58. **Greensboro:** Northern District Association, 2.50. **Haw Branch:** Ch., 3. **Pittsboro:** Shiloh Ch., 1. **Troy:** S. S., 5.

SOUTH CAROLINA—$106.79.

Charleston: Friends, for Avery Institute, 106.79.

TENNESSEE—$42.

Deer Lodge: Ch., 5. **Nashville:** Mrs. A. R. Edmiston, for Fisk U., 4. **Robbins:** Ch., 2.50. **Wolf Creek:** Ch., 50c.

Woman's Miss'y Union of the Tennessee Association, Mrs. J. C. Napier, Treas.: W. M. U., $30.

GEORGIA—$4.

Macon: Dr. Chas. Greene, 1; Henry Lucas, 1; Mr. Jordan, 1; Mr. Irwin, 1 (for Ballard School).

LOUISIANA—

New Orleans: Col. James Lewis, One Wall Map of U. S., for Straight University.

HAWAII—$5.

Island of Guam: Rev. H. E. B. Case, 5.

ENGLAND—$3,000.

Chelmsford: Mrs. M. A. M. Allen, 3,000 (2,000 of which for Tougaloo University and 1,000 for Talladega College).

INCOME—$22,613.31.

Atterbury Endowment Fund, 228.44. Avery Fund, 483.62. Wm. Belden, Scholarship Fund, for Talladega College, 60. M. R. Bishop, Endowment Fund, 2.29. Mrs. Julia E. Brick, Endowment Fund for the Joseph K. Brick School, Enfield, N. C., 8,475.72. The Brown Fund for Colored People, 20.82. E. A. Brown Scholarship Fund, for Talladega College, 32.37.

Mrs. S. N. Brewer Endowment Fund, 46.99. Howard Carter Endowment Fund, 22.85. Rev. Robt. Ford Endowment Fund, 6.02. Elsie G. Green Endowment Fund, for Nat, Ala., 2.35. Howard University Endowment Fund, 1,827.62. De Forest Fund, for Talladega College, 913.82. C. F. Dike Fund, for Straight University, 228.44. Wm. E. Dodge Theological Fund, for Talladega College, 228.44. Eldridge Endowment Fund, 456.90. Erwin and Other Funds for Talladega College, 4,000. Fitts and Warner Endowment Fund for Wilmington, N. C., 50. Rev. B. Foltz Endowment Fund, 45.69. General Endowment Fund, 274.15. Graves Scholarship Fund for Talladega College, 228.44. Elizabeth S. Hall Endowment Fund, 45.69. Hammond Fund, for Straight U., 228.44. E. A. Hand Endowment Fund, 22.85. The Clara Hillyer Fund, 2,425.89. Asa W. Kenney Endowment Fund, 488.04. Le Moyne Endowment Fund for Memphis, Tenn., 456.89. H. W. Lincoln Scholarship Fund for Talladega College, 45.69. Mrs. P. A. Livermore Endowment Fund for Pleasant Hill, Tenn., 77.20. Luke Men's Scholarship Fund for Talladega College, 19.91. Mary E. Page Endowment Fund, 9.14. C. B. Rice Memorial Fund for Talladega College, 18.44. J. S. Ricker Endowment Fund, 228.44. The John Roy Scholarship Fund, 37.49. Stone Scholarship Fund for Talladega College, 45.69. Seymour Straight Endowment Fund for Straight University, 186.26. Straight University Scholarship Fund, 134.24. S. M. Strong Endowment Fund for Saluda, N. C., 228.44. Mary W. Thompson Endowment Fund, 22.85. E. G. Upson Scholarship Fund, for Tougaloo U., 91.38. Seth Wadham's Fund for Talladega College, 45.69. C. Ward Endowment Fund for Wilmington, N. C., 10.25. A. Wentworth Endowment Fund, 43.40. J. and L. H. Wood Scholarship Fund for Talladega College, 45.69. Yale Library Fund for Talladega College, 20.34.

TUITION—$63,160.06.

Cappahosic, Va., 730.88. Evarts, Ky., 775.01. Lexington, Ky., 1,587.95. Grand View, Tenn., 976.20. Memphis, Tenn., 5,464.70. Nashville, Tenn., 8,298.70. Pleasant Hill, Tenn., 1,265.23. Beaufort, N. C., 318.46. Blowing Rock, N. C., 119.29. Enfield, N. C., 767.17. Hillsboro, N. C., 181.04. King's Mountain, N. C., 420.15. Lawndale, N. C., 471.75. Lynn, N. C., 1.60. Saluda, N. C., 690.32. Troy, N. C., 665.25. Wilmington, N. C., 1,400,45. Charleston, S. C., 3,196.51. Greenwood, S. C., 1,127.37. Albany, Ga., 1,182.60. Demorest, Ga., 3,715.56. McIntosh, Ga., 368.73. Macon, Ga., 4,731.88. Marshallville, Ga., 435. Savannah, Ga., 1,302.25. Thomasville, Ga., 971.25. Athens, Ala., 847.77. Cotton Valley, Fort Davis, Ala., 155.10. Florence, Ala., 740.46. Joppa, Ala, 1,127.97. Marion, Ala., 1,096.25. Mobile, Ala., 2,016.60. Talladega, Ala., 2,303.88. Clinton, Miss., 585.17. Meridian, Miss., 1,219.35. Moorhead, Miss., 263.20. Mound Bayou, Miss., 1,004.50. Tougaloo, Miss., 2,051.05. New Orleans, La., 4,102.53. Fessenden, Fla.,, 716. Orange Park, Fla., 347.28. Austin, Texas, 1,683.25. Santurce, Porto Rico, 1,734.40.

SLATER FUND—$5,000.

For Tougaloo University, Tougaloo, Miss., 3,500. For Straight University, New Orleans, La., 1,500.

PROCEEDS FROM ALASKA MISSION.

Reindeer Herd (three years), $2,300.42.

SUMMARY FOR SEPTEMBER, 1909.

Donations	$38,810.86
Legacies	7,742.38
Total	$46,553.24
Income	22,613.31
Tuition	63,160.06
Slater Fund	5,000.00
Proceeds from Alaska Mission Reindeer	2,300.42
Total	$139.627.03
Donations from Joint Missionary Campaign Fund by Dr. L. C. Warner, Treas.	46.917.92
Total	$186.544.95

SUMMARY.

Twelve Months from Oct. 1, 1908, to Sept. 30, 1909.

Donations	$201,626.80	
Donations from the Joint Miss'y Campaign Fund, by Dr. L. C. Warner, Tr..	46,917.92	
		$248,544.72
Legacies		106.284.92
Total		$354,829.64
Income		22,613.31
Tuition		63,160.06
Slater Fund		5,000.00
Proceeds from. Alaska Mission Reindeer		2,300.42
Total Receipts Twelve Months.		$447,903.43
Expenditures Twelve Months	$400,537.95	
Debt Bal. Oct. 1, 1908	46,917.92	
		447,455.87
Cr. Bal. Sept. 30. 1909		$ 447.56

INCOME.

For Atlanta University, 502.57. For Berea College, 228.44. Income for African Missions paid to the A. B. C. F. M., 3,935.74.

ENDOWMENT FUNDS.

The Joseph S. Ricker Endowment.

Received from the Maine Woman's Aid to A. M. A., Cash and Securities, $5,000, the income to be credited to the Women of Maine.

THE ELSIE G. GREEN ENDOWMENT.

Income for Green Academy Bending Oaks Nat, Ala., from the Estate of Elsie G. Green (deceased), late of Allentown, N. H., $1,000, less expenses 50, $950.

RECEIPTS OF THE CALIFORNIA ORIENTAL MISSION,

From Aug. 20 to Sept. 25, 1909.

Wm. Johnstone, Asst. Treas., $943.71.

FROM LOCAL MISSIONS AND CHURCHES WITH WHICH THEY ARE CONNECTED.

Berkeley: South, Chinese M. O., 6.10; North Ch., 37; First Ch., 5. **Fresno:** Chinese M. O., 2.50; Ann'y Pledges, 27. **Los Angeles:** Chinese M. O., 12.05; First Cong. Ch., 26.50; First Japanese M. O., 34.50; First Cong. Ch., 129; Bethlehem Japanese M. O., 14. **Marysville:** Chinese M. O., 2.25; Ann'y Pledges, 8. **Oakland:** Chinese M. O., 8.40; First Cong'l S. S., 30. **Pasadena:** Greek M. O., 1.25; West Side Ch., 19.25; Japanese M. O., 10; First Cong. Ch., 20; W. M. S., 10; Japanese Special Off., 11.50; Japanese Ann'y Offs., 2. **Riverside:**

Japanese M. O., 5; Ann'y Pledges, 7. **Sacramento:** Chinese M. O., 5; Ann'y Pledges, 52. **San Diego:** Chinese M. O., 6.50; Ann'y Pledges, 17.35; Japanese M. O., 19.75; First Cong. Ch., 34.35. **San Francisco:** Central, 19.35; Annual Members, 10; West M. O., 9; Annual Members, 6; Japanese M. O., 8; Japanese Ch., 2. **Santa Barbara:** Chinese M. O., 1.85; Annual Members, 4; Japanese M. O., 4; Annual Members, 10. Total, $637.45.

FROM OTHER CHURCHES IN CAL. (All Cong'l.).

Berkeley: South Park Ch., 10.05; S. S., 2.50. **Ceres:** Ch., 5; Senior C. E., 5; Junior C. E., 2; Sunshine Circle, 1. **Fruitvale:** Ch., 6.46. **Loomis:** Ch., 10.55. **Oakland:** Japanese Ch., 3. **Oroville:** Ch., 11. **Pasadena:** Lake Ave. Ch., 2.50. **San Francisco:** Bethany Ch., 19. **Santa Cruz:** Ch., 15.70. **Sonoma:** Ch., 2.50. Total, $96.26.

FROM INDIVIDUAL GIVERS IN CALIFORNIA.

Armona: The Burrows Family, 3. **Marysville:** Mrs. Wulff, 25. **Ontario:** Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Baikie, 5. **San Francisco:** L. S. Sherman, 20; Mrs. Marie Block, 25; Mrs. B. Kelley, 1; Mrs. Jane Maclachlin, 1. Total, 80.

FROM EASTERN HELPERS.

South Framingham, Mass.: Cheerful Helper, $10.

FOR CHINESE MOTHERS AND CHILDREN.

Albany, N. Y.: Miss Katherine McNaughton, 10. **Groton, Mass.:** Mrs. Miles Spaulding, 70. W. H. M. U. of No. Cal., 20. W. H. M. U. of So. Cal., 20. Total, $120.

H. W. HUBBARD, Treas.,

American Missionary Ass'n, Congregational Rooms, Fourth Ave. and 22d St., New York, N. Y.

Congregational Church Building Society

Charles E. Hope, Treasurer

Receipts for September, 1909

For Church Building.

ALASKA—$13.

Nome: 13.

CALIFORNIA—$223.91.

Campbell: 39. **Lockeford:** 15. **Los Angeles:** First: 50. **Oakland:** Market St., 10. **Petaluma:** 5. **San Francisco:** Betehlehem, 3.60; Edward Coleman, 100. **Santa Rosa:** Todd S. S., 1.31.

COLORADO—$91.50.

Colorado Springs: First W. M. S., 15; Second W M. S., 2. **Crested Butte:** 5. **Boulder:** W. M. S., 3. **Denver:** First W. M. S., 10; Third W. M. S., 3; Plymouth W. M. S., 25. **Greeley:** W. M. S., 3. **Longmont:** W. M. S., 4.50. **Manitou:** W. M. S., 2.50. **Montrose:** W. M. S., 5. **Pueblo:** First W. M. S., 2.50; Pilgrim W. M. S., 2. **Rye:** 5; W. M. S., 1.50. **Steamboat Springs:** W. M. S., 2.50.

CONNECTICUT—$406.34.

Bridgeport: Italian, 1. **Bristol:** (2) 27.50. **Burlington:** 4. **Canterbury:** 11.04. **Colebrook:** 2. **Cromwell:** First, 35.38. **East Norwalk:** Swede, 3.80. **New Haven:** Plymouth: 30; United, 100. **North Greenwich:** 6.45. **North Haven:** 22.40. **North Stamford:** 3. **Plymouth:** 7. **Suffield:** First, 54.07. **Thompson:** 9.49. **Washington:** 1. **West Haven:** 6.

For The Charles Henry Taintor Memorial Fund:

Fairfield: Mrs. Morris Lyon, 10. **Goshen:** Mrs. Fred. Griswold, 5; Friends, 20.21. **Guilford:** S. S. Class Kate M. Dudley, 2. **Hartford:** Mrs. E. M. Hooker, 10. **New London:** C. W. Chapelle, 25. **Washington:** Agnes A. Acton, 10.

IDAHO—$5.

Westlake: 5.

ILLINOIS—$732.98.

Byron: 4.25. **Chicago:** Jeff Park Trin., Ger., 5. **Clifton:** 2. **Evanston:** First, 74.88; W. S., 9. **Forrest:** 5. **Jacksonville:** S. S., 3.05. **Kewanee:** First, 52.86. **La Grange:** 5. **Millburn:** 14.22. **Norris City:** 488.15. **Roscoe:** 3.57. **Waukegan:** 6. **West Pullman:** 10.

For The Charles Henry Taintor Memorial Fund:

Chicago: Mary A. Roberts, 25. **Morrison:** Robert Wallace, 25.

IOWA—$84.63.

Carnforth: 5. **Clinton:** 7. **Davenport:** Edwards, 15. **Eddyville:** 2.25. **Gowrie:** 7. **Long Creek:** 5. **Onawa:** 3.92. **Osage:** 25. **Ottumwa:** Swede, 3.96. **Traer:** 5. **Victor:** 5.50.

KANSAS—$38.35.

Dry Creek: 5. **Haven:** 4. **Maize:** 5. **Olathe:** 10. **Overbrook:** 8. **Western Park:** 1.35. **Wichita:** Fairmount: 5.

KENTUCKY—$3.

Berea: Church and S. S., 1. **Ludlow:** 2.

MAINE—$386.50

Camden: Primary S. S., 50c. **Eliot:** 5. **Jackman:** 5. **Lewiston:** 8. **Litchfield:** 1. **Presque Isle:** 350.

For The Charles Henry Taintor Memorial Fund.

Belfast: Friends, 7. **Oakwood:** Farm, H. A. Libby and Sister, 10.

MASSACHUSETTS—$519.93.

Andover: A Friend: 25. **Carver:** North, 5. **Falmouth:** First, 17.32; Waquoit, 3. **Gilbertville:** 39.20. **Harwich:** 7.85. **Ipswich:** First, 5. **Ludlow:** Center, 11. **Lynnfield:** Center, 3.46. **Mattapoisett:** 10. **Medford:** Union, 6.20. **Merrimac:** 10.47. **New Boston:** 5. **Newton Eliot:** A Friend, 125. **Newtonville Central:** 75. **Peabody:** South, 17. **Quincy:** Finnish, 2. **Southboro:** Southville, 3.50. **Sturbridge:** 3.50. **Taunton:** East, 5.55; Trin'n, 29.67. **Waltham:** First, 25c.; Swede, 1.63. **Wareham:** 3.50. **Wellesley Hills:** 2. **Winchendon, North:** 26. **Worcester:** First Swede, 6.83.

For The Charles Henry Taintor Memorial Fund.

Brookline: Mrs. A. L. Lovett, 10. **Dalton:** Mrs. Cleveland H. D. S. S., 5. **Fall River:** Mrs. R. K. Remington, 10. **North Hampton:** Judith B. Kingsley, 25. **Sudbury:** Lucy S. Connor, 10. **Wellesley:** Farms, Mrs. Wheeler and Sister, 10.

MICHIGAN—$581.19.

Breckenridge: 3.46. **Buckley:** 3. **Croton:**

1.60. **Durand:** 5.45. **Gaylord:** 8.45. **Hancock:** 21.13. **Imlay City:** 11.10. **Pleasanton:** 2. **Rapid River:** 5. **Sutton's Bay:** 5. **Ypsilanti:** 15. **West Branch:** 500.

MINNESOTA—$84.82.
Dexter: 2. **Minneapolis:** Fremont Ave., 13.72. **Northfield:** 57.10. **Pelican Rapids:** 4. **Spring Valley:** 8.

MISSOURI—$1.
Granby: C. C. Ball, 1.

NEBRASKA—$55.25.
Creighton: 8. **Hastings:** German, 5. **Inland:** 15. **Spencer:** 7. **Verdon:** 15. **Wahoo:** 5.25.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—$55.78.
Concord, West: 5.48. **Durham:** H. M. S., 15. **Haverhill:** First, 6. **Milton Mills:** 50c. **Penacook:** 13.80. **Pittsfield:** 10. **Temple:** 5.

NEW YORK—$183.61.
Angola: 16. **Auqebogue:** 7.36. **Binghamton:** East Side, 15. **Briarcliff:** 16.95. **Fairport:** 4.50. **Summer Hill:** 9. **Wellsville:** 29.80.

For The Charles Henry Taintor Memorial Fund.

Bellport: Mrs. M. L. Roberts, 25. **Lakewood:** Mrs. M. M. Hall, 50. **New York:** Helen M. Dwight, 10.

NORTH CAROLINA—$4.40.
Bethel: 1.40. **Burlington:** 1. **Lewisville:** 2.

NORTH DAKOTA—$22.50.
Cooperstown: First L. M. S., 22.50.

OHIO—$179.59.
Ashland: 4.45. **Columbus:** Eastwood, 28. **Fort Recovery:** 7.87. **Ironton:** First W. M. S., 20. **Medina:** First, 103. **Oberlin:** First S. S., 6.27. **Pittsfield:** First, 10.

OKLAHOMA—$15.
Guthrie: Plymouth, 10. **Lawnview:** 5.

OREGON—$6.
Ashland: 3. **Butteville:** 3.

PENNSYLVANIA—$7.
Pittsburg: Swede, 7.

RHODE ISLAND—$134.60.
Providence: Central, 134.60.

SOUTH DAKOTA—$27.65.
Badger: 6. **Cresbad:** 6. **Logan:** 6.65. **Murdo:** 4. **Worthing:** C. A. S., 5.

TEXAS—$39.65.
Denison: 24. **Port Arthur:** 15.65.

VERMONT—$117.85.
Berlin: 11.50. **Dummerstown:** 6.50. **Franklin:** 7.05. **Hyde Park:** Second, 3.05. **Ludlow:** 3.05. **Wallingford:** (2) 27.20. **Woodstock:** S. S., 9.50.

For The Charles Henry Taintor Memorial Fund:

Burlington: Mary R. Englesby, 25. **Woodstock:** Mrs. Julia Billings, 25.

VIRGINIA—$2.11.
Herndon: 2.11.

WASHINGTON—$12.05.
Colville: 10.05. **Pleasant Valley:** S. S., 2.

WISCONSIN—$69.56.
Barneveld: 2.70; L. A. S., 1. **City Point:** 2. **Fort Atkinson:** 31.85. **Fulton:** 1.21. **Genoa Junction:** 10. **Milton:** 9.31. **Owen:** First, 5. **Star Prairie:** 4.40. **Stoughton:** 2.09.

INTEREST—$50.
New York: Interest, 50.

CHURCH LOANS REFUNDED—$3,327.50.
Oakland, Calif.: Market St., on account, 39. **Santa Rosa, Calif.:** Todd Bal. on account, 20. **Sioux City, Ia.:** Mayflower, on account, 100. **Boston, Mass.:** East Baker, on account, 200. **Provincetown, Mass.:** Pilgrim, on account, 80. **Waltham, Mass.:** Swede, on account, 190. **Quincy, Mass.:** Finnish, on account, 200. **Buckley, Mich.:** On account, 60. **Sauk Center, Minn.:** First, on account, 130. **St. Paul, Minn.:** Plymouth, on account, 300. **Springfield, Mo.:** First, on account, 250. **Missoula, Mont.:** Swede, on account, 50. **Conway, N. H.:** Second, on account, 250. **Syracuse, N. Y.:** Good Will, on account, 750. **Watertown, N. Y.:** Balance on account, 100. **Dickinson, N. D.:** On account, 100. **Jamestown, N. D.:** On account, 50. **Ashtabula, O.:** Finnish, on account, 25. **Braddock, Pa.:** First, on account, 10. **Philadelphia, Pa.:** Kensington, on account, 48.50. **Pittsburg, Pa.:** Swede, on account, 250. **Ft. Worth, Tex.:** on account, 100. **Washburn, Wis.:** On account, 25.

INTEREST ON LOANS—$398.27.
Englewood, Ill.: North, 27. **Gary, Ind.:** 30. **Des Moines, Ia.:** Pilgrim, 157.50. **Traverse City, Mich.:** 39.77. **Merriam Park, Minn.:** Olivet, 48. **Philadelphia, Pa.:** Park, 96.

ANNUITIES—$3,374.51.
Connecticut: A Friend, 874.51. **Springfield, Mass.:** Orson F. and Cornelia D. Swift, 2,000. **Woodville, N. Y.:** Miss L. P. Wood, 500.

CHURCH BUILDING QUARTERLY—10c.

MISCELLANEOUS—$20.
Nome, Alaska: Ins. Premium, 20.

FOR PARTICULAR CHURCHES—

ILLINOIS—$21.27.
Alton: 21.27.

MASSACHUSETTS—$16.70.
Housatonic: 16.70.

FOR PARSONAGE BUILDING—

CALIFORNIA—$140.55.
Chula Vista: On loan, 75. **Etiwanda:** On loan, 25. **Mill Valley:** Balance on loan, 10.55. **Rialto:** On loan, 30.

COLORADO—$13.
Creede: On loan, 13.

CONNECTICUT—$37.50.
Ansonia: German, on loan, 37.50.

KANSAS—$40.
Parsons: On loan, 40.

MICHIGAN—$171.
Freeland: On loan, 66. **Grand Ledge:** On loan, 60. **Grand Junction:** On loan, 15. **White Cloud:** On loan, 10. **Wolverine:** Balance on loan, 20.

MINNESOTA—$30.
Minneapolis: Swede, on loan, 30.

NEW JERSEY—$50.
Chatham: On loan, 50.

NEW YORK—$20.
Spring Valley: On loan, 20.

NORTH DAKOTA—$30.
Medina: On loan, 30.

OHIO—$25.
Springfield: Lag. Ave., on loan, 25.

PENNSYLVANIA—$62.50.
Williamsport: On loan, 62.50.

WASHINGTON—$132.50.
Bellevue: On loan, 77. **Maltby:** On loan, 10. **Pleasant Valley:** S. S., on loan, 3. **Tekoa:** On loan, 25. **Touchet:** On loan, 17.50.

WISCONSIN—$132.50.

Cashton: On loan, 20. **Glenwod:** On loan, 12.50. **South Milwaukee:** First, on loan, 100.

WYOMING—$102.50.

Cheyenne: First, on loan, 62.50. **Lusk:** On loan, 40.

Receipts for Church Building, $11,275.13; receipts for Particular Churches, $37.97. Receipts for Parsonage Building, $987.05. Total receipts for the month, $12,300.15.

Corrections.—The $5 contribution reported from Bethany, Calif., in the October number on page 693, was returned, as it was sent us by mistake.

The Congregational Sunday-School and Publishing Society

Henry T. Richardson, Treasurer

Contributions for Missionary Work

August, 1909

NOTE.—Where no name follows that of the town the contribution is from the church or church and society of that place. Where a name follows, it is that of a church. S. means Sunday-school; C. means church; C. E., the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor. "For Supplies" refers to money received for helps which had been granted from our missionary fund.

ALASKA—

Nome: S, 10.

ARIZONA—

Fort Thomas: S., 2; Ind., 3. Total, $5.

ARKANSAS—

Texarkana: S., 5.30.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA—

Angel's Camp: C. and S. (add'l), 2. **Etna Mills:** S., 1.50. **Falk:** S., 3. **Field's Landing:** C. and S., 5. **Fitchburg:** Oakland C. and S., 4.50. **Glen Ellen:** C. and S., 6.40. **Grass Valley:** S., 20.40. **Haywards:** S., 10. **Hot Springs:** 14.76. **Kenwood:** C. and S., 6.50. **Lincoln:** 2.20; S., 6. **Nevada City:** S., 8. **Oleander:** C. and S., 14.66. **Oroville:** S., 19. **Sacramento:** 8. **San Francisco:** First C. and S., 43.25. **San Mateo:** C. and S., 20. **Sierraville:** C. and S., 8. **Success:** 41c. **Sunol Glen:** C. and S., 1.80. **Tipton:** 7.50. **Worth:** 42c. Children's Day: 1. Total, $214.30, of which 176.92 is C. D. Collections.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA—

Avalon: S., 20.52. **Dehesa:** L. L., 2. **Del Mar:** L. L., 1.05. **Lawndale:** S., 60c. **Little Lake:** S., 1.75. **Los Alamitos:** S., 5. **Los Angeles:** Plymouth S., 9.33; Salem S., 5; Trinity S., 1.30. **Mentone:** S., 7. **Moreno:** S., 3. **Norwalk:** C. and S., 6.04. **Pasadena:** Lake Av. S., 34.70; West Side S., 28.35. **Perris:** S., 3.50. **Pioneer:** S., 7. **Redondo:** S, 8. **Riverside:** S., 31.46. **San Bernardino:** Bethel S., 2.25. **Santa Ana:** S., 10. **Santa Barbara:** S., 25. **Verdi:** S., 2.54. **Wasco:** S., 1.55. **Whittier:** S., 12.40. **Willow Brook:** S., 1.03. For Supplies: 75c. Total, $231.12, of which $227.32 is C. D. Collections.

COLORADO—

Ault: Ind., 10. **Clark:** S., 5. **Colorado City:** S., 3. **Denver:** First S., 14; Second S., 5. **Fondis:** S., 1. **Fruita:** 3.63. **Grand Junction:** S., 20.15. **Manitou:** S., 11. **Paonia:** S., 3.65. **Rocky Ford:** 20.25. **Seibert:** S., 6. **Toponas:** Coll'n, 1.10. Total, $103.78, of which $68.80 is C. D. Collections.

CONNECTICUT—

Bethlehem: 8.51. **Bridgeport:** Second, 2; King's Highway S., 5.14. **Bristol:** 7. **Cheshire:** 15.15. **Colebrook:** S., 5. **Granby, South:** S., 12.60. **Greenwich:** Second, 31.22. **Hartford:** Wethersfield Ave. S., 10. **Nepaug:** S., 6.10. **Newington:** S., 4.45. **New London:** First S., 9.98. **North Canaan:** Pilgrim S., 17.50. **Putnam:** Second S., 2.07. **Shelton:** 5. **Simsbury:** 28.86. **Somersville:** Scitico S., 12.50. **Stafford Springs:** 20.03. **Terryville:** 33.18. **Thompson:** S., 25. **Winsted:** Second S., 5.45. Total, $266.74, of which $68.74 is C. D. Collections.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—

Washington: Ingram Mem'l. S., 6.34.

FLORIDA—

Jacksonville: Ind., 1. **West Palm Beach:** S., 5.42. Total, $6.42, of which $5.42 is a C. D. Collection.

GEORGIA—

Bowman: S., 2.42.

IDAHO—

Central Ridge: S., 1.05. **Hope:** S., 12.84. **Pearl:** Collection, 75c. **Pocatello:** S., 17.75. **Smith Prairie:** Collection, 1.75. **Waha:** S., 4.15. Total, $38.29, of which $30.59 is C. D. Collections.

ILLINOIS—

Aurora: First S., 17. **Chicago:** Salem S., 2; Bethlehem: Boh. S., 8.35; Rogers Park S., 25.37; Mont Clare S., 12; Irving Park S., 6. **Dundee:** 6. **Elgin:** First S., 78.30. **Elmwood:** S., 5.68. **Evanston:** S., 35.42. **Farmington:** S., 7.73. **Garden Prairie:** C. E., 2. **Geneseo:** S., 26.24. **Geneva:** S., 10. **Granville:** C. and S., 95.61. **Kemper:** S., 3.25. **Lagrange:** S., 38.86. **Laharpe:** S., 6.61. **Lombard:** W. S., 8. **Lyonsville:** S., 16.25. **Malta:** S., 7.15. **Metropolis:** 2. **Mt. Palatine:** S., 5. **Naperville:** C. E., 1. **Oak Park:** First, 49.25. **Ottawa:** C. and S., 17.38. **Peoria:** Union S., 25. **Port Byron:** S., 8.21. **Rio:** 2.58. **Roberts:** S., 8.30. **Rockford:** First W. S., 20; Second W. S., 2.48. **Rollo:** S., 5.50. **Sandwich:** 29.65. **Seward:** S., 12.84. **Stillman Valley:** S., 6.25. **Sycamore:** S., 5; Mrs. H. B., 75c.; J. H. R., 2; P. S., 2; E. D., 2; N. G. T., 1; W. F. P., 3; D. A. S., 5; Friend, 10; Friend, 10. **Wilmette:** S., 34.42. **Winnebago:** S., 12. **Yorkville:** S., 23.25. Friend, J. S., 10. Total, $733.68, of which $594.12 is C. D. Collections, and $28 received through W. H. M. U.

INDIANA—

Owensville: S., 1.60. **Terre Haute:** First S., 4.65. Total, $6.25.

IOWA—

Bondurant: S., 7.55. **Britt:** First S., 7.07. **Chester Centre:** 4.56. **Clear Lake:** S., 5.99. **Clinton:** First S., 6.70. **Eagle Grove:** S., 11.51. **Earlville:** S., 9.24. **Eddyville:** S., 4.64. **Geddes:** S., 4.75 **Grinnell:** S., 47.89; W. S., 50c. **Harmony:** S., 3.85. **Kingsley:** S., 9. **Lakeside:** 1.65. **Manson:** S., 10.48. **Mt. Pleasant:** W. S., 4.50. **Nashua:** S., 15. **Prairie City:** S., 4.66. **Riceville:** P. C., 4.60.

Traer: 9.76; S., 15.24. **Waterloo:** 14.42. **Waverly:** S., 13.73. **Webster:** S., 6. **Webster City:** W. S., 4. Total, $227.29, of which 134.59 is C. D. Collections, and $9 received through W. H. M. U.

KANSAS—

Banner: C. and S., 1.78. **Camp No. 31:** Mission S., 25c. **Capioma:** C. and S., 6.98. **Centralia:** C. and S., 15. **Comet:** C. and S., 4.50. **Council Grove:** C. and S., 5.50. **Dunkirk:** S., 1.50. **Garfield:** C. and S., 5. **Hiawatha:** C. and S., 10. **Kansas City:** Grand View C. and S., 2.62. **Leavenworth:** S., 7.90. **Onaga:** C. and S., 8. **Pauline:** C. and S., 1.31. **Powhattan:** C. and S., 3.50. **Seventeen:** Central Mission S., 1.30. **Sherman:** C. and S., 2. **Topeka:** First C. and S., 12. **Udall:** C. and S., 5. **Valley:** C. and S., 3.80. **Wheaton:** Collection, 2.56. **Wichita:** Fellowship C. and S., 12.56. Total, $113.06, of which $110.50 is C. D. Collections.

KENTUCKY—

Evarts: S., 2.03. **Newport:** C. and S., 20. Total, $22.03, of which $20 is a C. D. Collection.

LOUISIANA—

Grand Bayou: S., 1. **Hammond:** First S., 2.04. **New Iberia:** Smith Mission S., 4. **Thibodaux:** First S., 3. Total, $10.04, of which $7 is C. D. Collections.

MAINE—

Augusta: South S. (add'l), 1. **Bath:** Winter St., 7.75. **Bridgton:** North S., 13.20. **Calais:** 6.95. **Gray:** S., 14. **Houghton:** 1.40. **Jonesport:** S., 5.16. **Mechanic Falls:** S., 2.50. **York:** First, 12.07. Total, $64.03, of which $15.57 is C. D. Collections.

MARYLAND—

Frostburg: S., 95c.

MASSACHUSETTS—

Amherst: North, 14.31; S., 17.53. **Boston:** Highland S. (Rox.), 10. **Cohasset:** Beechwood H. Dept., 4. **Framingham:** Plymouth, 13.30. **Haverhill:** West C. E., 50c.; Riverside, 5. **Hyde Park:** Clarendon Hills, 2.55. **Merrimac:** 8.20. **New Bedford:** North, 25. **North Attleboro:** Oldtown, 3. **Norwood:** 17; S., 8.08. **Pittsfield:** South, 23.55. **Plympton:** 6. **Quincy:** Bethany B. S., 25; Wollaston S., 20.92. **Shelburne Falls:** 36.50; S., 5.50. **Southampton:** 8.20. **South Attleboro:** S., 7.64. **Springfield:** South, 43.59.. **Stoneham:** C. and S. 13.93. **Wakefield:** 7.76. **Waltham:** Swedish, 77c. **Ware, East:** S., 14. **Warren:** First S., 10. **Wellesley Hills:** 3. **Weymouth:** First S., 10. Total, $364.83, of which $69.92 is C. D. Collections.

MICHIGAN—

Alpena: 20.95. **Bancroft:** S., 3.75. **Bass River:** S., 1. **Buckley:** 3. **Cadillac:** S., 7. **Cooper:** 5.06. **Dundee:** S., 2. **Edmore:** S., 3.50. **Fenwick:** S., 5. **Gilmore:** S., 3.25. **Grand Ledge:** 4.50. **Hancock:** S., 26.44. **Hudsonville:** S., 8.58. **Port Huron:** First, 30.36; S., 14.64. **South Boston:** 4.75. Total, $147.53, of which $36.69 is C. D. Collections.

MINNESOTA—

Anoka: S., 5. **Backus:** S., 1. **Bagley:** C. and S., 2.50. **Big Lake:** S., 1.50. **Burtrum:** S., 1.65. **Dawson:** J. E. P., 10. **Dodge Center:** S., 5.77. **Duluth:** West S., 3.45. **Edgerton:** S., 3. **Fair Oaks:** S., 2.30. **Garvin:** S., 1.27. **Glyndon:** S., 2.50. **Graceville:** 3. **Mapleton:** S., 3.08. **Minneapolis:** Lyndale S., 60; Forest Heights S., 14.24; Temple, Swedish S., 3.10; Linden Hills S., 22.56. Friend: W. W. W., 10; C. F. R., 5; W. D., 5. **Orrock:** S., 8.34. **Ortonville:** S., 5. **Princeton:** 8. **Sandstone:** S., 1.25. **Shevlin:** S., 1. **Wadena:** 3.65. **Wayzatta:** S., 6.10. **Winona:** First (W. H. L.), 35. Total, $234.26, of which 84.99 is C. D. Collections.

MISSOURI—

Dawn: 4. **New Cambria:** First S., 10. **Nichols:** S., 3. **St. Joseph:** Tabernacle, 13.09. **Sedalia:** First S., 22.33. Friend, 5. Total, $57.42, of which $52.42 is C. D. Collections.

MONTANA—

Clyde Park: C. and S., 3.15. **Martindale:** S., 60c. **Paradise:** 1.40. **Polson:** 6. **Yates:** S., 40c. Total, $11.55, of which 3.15 is C. D. Collections.

NEBRASKA—

Alliance: German, 1.85. **Alma:** 25c.; S., 8.12. **Almeria:** 2.20. **Aurora:** C. and S., 27; J. D. S., 100. **Avoca:** 6; S., 4.50. **Bassett:** 2; S., 1.10. **Bertrand:** S., 9.80. **Bingham:** S., 6.60. **Brewster:** Pleasant Valley S., 4.99. **Burwell:** S., 7.20. **Clay Center:** S., 13.30. **Cortland:** 2.50. **Danbury:** S., 9.55. **David City:** S., 12.22. **Fairmont:** C. and S., 27.55. **Franklin:** 2; S., 5.19. **Hastings:** S., 8.24. **Hildreth:** 2.50; S., 6.52. **Indianola:** S., 14.55. **Irvington:** 9.55. **Keystone:** 1.53. **Lakeland: Collection,** 11.48. **Le Moyne:** S., 1.21. **Mizpah:** Tent Meetings, 5.34. **Neligh:** 17.52; S., 20. **New Castle:** S., 3.75. **Plainview:** C. and S., 18.85; Dist. 12, S., 2.20. **Scribner:** S., 3.54. **Seneca:** S., 70c. **Stockville:** S., 4.88. **Wisner:** C. and S., 7. Total, 393.28, of which $177.47 is C. D. Collections.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—

Colebrook: S., 5. **Dover:** 16.30. **Hillsboro:** Cong., 1.15. **Lee:** 10.36. **Newmarket:** 2.51. **North Hampton:** 6.50. **Walpole:** 9.18. **Warner:** 3. Total, $54, of which $2.51 is C. D. Collections.

NEW JERSEY—

East Orange: First, 3.44.

NEW YORK—

Angola: Friend, 2. Bay Shore: S., 10. **Candor:** 9.25. **Deer River:** S., 3.65. **Honeoye:** S., 5. **Kiantone:** 2. **Nyack:** 2.50. **Oswego Falls:** 1.38. **Richville:** First, 2. **Wellsville:** C. and S., 15.81. **West Bloomfield:** S., 14.02. Total, $67.61, of which $33.48 is C. D. Collections.

NORTH CAROLINA—

Dry Creek: S., 1.50. **Lislesville:** S., 50c. **Little's Mills:** 1.50. **Statesville:** S., 1.25. Total, $4.75, of which $4.25 is C. D. Collections.

NORTH DAKOTA—

Barrie: C. and S., 2.35. **Beach:** C. and S., 7.13. **Berthold:** C. and S., 3. **Buchanan:** S., 1.57. **Cleveland:** C. and S., 7.90. **Columbia:** S., 5.26. **Dexter:** S., 2.55. **Dogden:** C. and S., 8.22. **Gascoyne:** 82c. **Getchell:** S., 6. **Glen Ullin:** C. and S., 20. **Hurd:** C. and S., 20. **Kelso:** S., 6.17. **Lawton:** C. and S., 6.17. **Manvel:** S., 6.25. **McHenry:** C. and S., 6.08. **New Rockford:** C. and S., 26.52. **Oriska:** C. and S., 2.47. **Orr:** 3.25. **Prairie:** S., 3. **Portland:** C. and S., 2.85. **Sanborn:** C. and S., 13.25. **Scranton:** 50c. **Sentinel Butte:** 82c. **Sharon:** 38c. **Sykeston:** C. and S., 15.09. Total, $177.60, of which 144.57 is C. D. Collections.

OHIO—

Austinburg: S., 12. **Berlin Heights:** S., 15. **Brownhelm:** S., 7. **Chardon:** 6. **Cincinnati:** Storrs S., 5.76; Columbia S., 12.58. **Cleveland:** Euclid Ave. S., 40; Pilgrim S., 61; North S., 10; Puritan S., 15. **Collinwood:** S., 5. **Columbus:** North S., 9.39;

South, 20. **Croton:** S., 4. **Cuyahoga Falls:** S., 7.15. **Hudson:** C. and S., 20. **Huntsburg:** S., 12. **Isle St. George:** 1.30. **Kelley's Island:** S., 2. **Little Muskingum:** S., 3.55. **Lorain:** First, 15.68; Second S., 12. **Marietta:** Rainbow S., 87c. **Oberlin:** First S., 5.02. **Rock Creek:** S., 25. **Rockport:** S., 12.26. **Somerdale:** S., 3. **South Newberry:** S., 3. **Springfield:** Lagonda Ave. S., 7. **Stanleyville:** C. and S., 5. **Sullivan:** S., 7.23. **Toledo:** Washington St., 97c. **Troy:** S., 1.86. **Twinsburg:** S., 7.70. **Wakeman:** S., 16. **York:** C. and S., 6.45. **Youngstown:** Plymouth S., 35.94. Pulpit Supply, 15. Total, $448.71, of which $403.87 is C. D. Collections.

OKLAHOMA—
Alva: S., 5. **Manchester:** S., 2.30. **Meridian:** S., 5. **Okarche:** Mt. Pisgah S., 60c. **Oktaha:** S., 10. **Pond Creek:** S., 12.75. Total, $35.65, which is C. D. Collections.

OREGON—
Argenti: 2.06. **Elliott Prairie:** S., 1.10. **Independence:** S., 3.05. **Portland:** University Park S., 8.16; Pilgrim Chapel S., 5. **St. Helen's:** S., 4.35. **Salem:** First, Friend, 75c.; Central S., 6 **Table Rock:** S., 2.07. **Tualatin:** S., 2. **Wilsonville:** S., 7.33. Supplies, 75c. Friend, 1.50; 85c. Total, $44.97, of which $33.94 is C. D. Collections.

PENNSYLVANIA—
Wheatland: S., 90c.

RHODE ISLAND—
Bristol: S., 41.15. **Providence:** Plymouth S., 8.50. Total, $49.65.

SOUTH DAKOTA—
Ada: S., 18c.; C. and S., 86c. **Anina:** S., 2.40. **Blaine:** S., 4.71. **Brantford:** 4; C. and S., 10. **Brushie:** S., 37c. **Carthage:** C. and S., 3. **De Smet:** S., 5.50. **Deep Creek:** S., 90c. **Fairview:** S., 1.42. **Frankfort:** S., 5. **Glenview:** S., 12.50. **Hudson:** C. and S., 6.65. **Ipswich:** S., 17. **Lamro:** East S., 2.50 Southwest S., 1.50. **Mission Hill:** S., 11. **Osceola:** B. B., 5. **Red Owl:** S., 1.51. **Sunnyside:** S., 33c. **Utica:** S., 80c. Supplies, 1.30. Total, $98.43, of which $62.08 is C. D. Collections.

TENNESSEE—
Chattanooga: First S., 6.83.

TEXAS—
Farwell: 8. **Friona:** 47.89. **Lipscomb:** 80c. **Spring Lake:** 9; S., 8.70. , Total $74.39.

VERMONT—
Barre: S., 15.67. **Braintree, East** and **West Brookfield:** S., 6.60. **Burlington:** First, 72. **Castleton:** 10. **Hartford, West:** S., 5.75. **New Haven:** 6.14. **St. Johnsbury:** Center S., 1.63. **Strafford:** S., 12. **Woodbury, South:** S., 5.71. Total, $135.50, of which 20.23 is C. D. Collections.

WASHINGTON—
Avondale: S., 3.50. **Edmonds:** C. and S., 11.23. **Granite Falls:** 1.75. **Lyle:** S., 1. **Meyers Falls:** S., 1.10. **Newman Lake:** S., 50c. **Puyallup:** S., 8. **Seattle:** Columbia Sta. S., 5; Olivet C. and S., 6.25; Silvana, 3.75; S., 2.40; Prospect S., 10. **South Bend:** S., 5.50. **Spokane:** C. W., 5. **Springfield:** S., 1.34. **Tacoma:** First S., 41.11; Plymouth C. and S., 18.41. Supplies: 92.84. Total, $218.68, of which $93,34 is C. D. Collections.

WISCONSIN—
Appleton: 16.31. **Clintonville:** 5.95. **Leon:** S., 2.55. **Roberts:** 20. Total, $44.81, of which $2.55 is C. D. Collections.

WYOMING—
Cheyenne: S., 4.39. **Dayton:** S., 13. **Patrick:** S., 2.15. **Rock Springs:** S., 4.40. **Sheridan:** S., 4.50. Total, $28.44, which is C. D. Collections.

Grant from Business Dept., $1,250.

Total, $6,020.27, of which $2,774.62 is C. D. Collections, and $37 received through W. H. M. U.

During the month the Society aided 113 schools, of which 45 were newly organized.

Congregational Education Society

S. F. Wilkins, Treasurer

Receipts for September, 1909

MAINE—$17.72.
Camden: First Ch., Primary Class, 50c. **Farmington:** First Ch., 8.22. **Lewiston:** Pine St. Ch., 6. **Litchfield:** 3.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—$47.84.
Atkinson: 5. **Brentwood:** 2.60. **Francestown:** 3.50. **Gilsum:** 3. **Haverhill:** First Ch., 3. **Hill:** 10. **Hinsdale:** 2.05. **Kensington:** 2. **Manchester:** So. Main St. Ch., 6.94. **Milton Mills:** 25c. **Pittsfield:** 7. **Temple,** 2.50.

VERMONT—$3.
South Woodbury: 3.

MASSACHUSETTS—$1,321.54.
Amesbury: Union Ch., 6. **Andover:** Miss S. E. Jackson, 5. **Beverly:** Dane St. Ch., 23. **Berlin:** Ch., 6.55; Home Dept., 1. **Boston:** J. J. Arakelyan, 25. **Canton:** Evan'l Y. P. S. C. E., 10. **Dalton:** First Ch., 194.29. **Dedham:** Allin Evan'l S. S., 3.15. **Easton:** Evan'l Ch., 8.08. **Edgartown:** 3.45. **Everett:** Mystic Side Ch., 10.69. **Gilbertville:** Trinitarian Ch., 13. **Hatfield:** 43.42. **Haverhill:** Centre Ch., 20. **Ipswich:** First Ch., 5. **Longmeadow:** B. A. of First Ch., 13.97. **Lowell:** High St. Ch., 15.68; Eliot Ch., 10.50. **Marlboro:** Union Ch., 10.68. **Maynard:** 9.35. **Millis:** Ch. of Christ, 13.32. **North Carver:** 5. **Northampton:** First Ch., 70.09. **Pepperell:** 7.02. **Plymouth:** Ch. of Pilgrimage, 5.94. **Turner's Falls:** First Ch., 7.80. **West Stockbridge:** 11.37. **Whitinsville:** Village Ch., 247.92; Edward Whitin, 200; Arthur Whitin, 300. **Whitman:** 3.27. **Winchendon:** North Ch., 12.

RHODE ISLAND—$66.75.
Providence: Central Ch., 66.75.

CONNECTICUT—$518.51.
Ashford: First Ch., 1.50. **Bridgeport:** Italian Ch., 1. **Bristol:** 5. **Chester:** 8.13. **Colebrook:** Add'l, 2. **Eastford:** 5. **Milford:** First Ch., 16.61. **New Fairfield:** 3. **New Haven:** Plym. Ch., 16; Shelton Ave. S. S., 4.20. **Plymouth:** 7. **Suffield:** First Ch., 29. **Thompson:** 5.48. **Waterbury:** Second Ch., 304.20. **Watertown:** Ch., 55; S. S., 8.88. **West Haven:** First Ch., 7.50. **Westport:** 9.01. Woman's Home Miss'y Union: 30.

NEW YORK—$199.88.
Brooklyn: Puritan Ch., 9.65. **New York:** Broadway Tabernacle, 175.56. **Norwood:** 5. **West Bloomfield:** 9.67.

NEW JERSEY—$44.25.
Bound Brook: 32. **Paterson:** Auburn St. Ch., 12.25.

FLORIDA—$2.10.
Avon Park: Union Evan'l Ch., 2.10.

OHIO—$26.41.
Ashland: 4.45. **Lyme:** Ch. and S. S., 4.67. **Oberlin:** Second Ch., 17.29.

MICHIGAN—$22.33.
Allegan: 8.86. **Ostego:** 3.47. **Ypsilanti:** First Ch., 10.

WISCONSIN—$22.50.
Dodgeville: Plymouth Ch., 22.50.

IDAHO—$8.15.
Genesee: First Ch., 8.15.

NEW MEXICO—$13.
Albuquerque: Ladie's Miss'y Society, 6. **San Rafael** and **San Mateo:** Teachers, 7.

ILLINOIS—$351.35.
Chicago: Victor Lawson, 100. **Downer's Grove:** First Ch., 6. **Dwight:** First Ch., 11.30. **Forrest:** 6.60. **La Grange:** First Ch., 31. **McLean:** S. S., 5; Dr. D. C. Snow, 10. **Mattoon:** First Ch., 7.80. **Odell:** 70. **Roscoe:** 1. **Sterling:** Prof. E. T. Austin, 5; Dr. W. B. Carolus, 2.50; Mrs. T. Crowl, 2.50. Misses Ida and Lizzie Rundlett, 2.50; C. E. Windom, 2; Mrs. C. L. Hobart, 1.50; Miss Mary E. Milnes, 50c. **Sycamore:** 35.62. **Waukegan:** 4. **West Pulman:** Y. P. S. C. E., 12. **Winnetka:** S. S., 11.12. Woman's Home Miss'y Union, 23.41.

MINNESOTA—$46.52.
Minneapolis: Fremont Ave. Ch., 17.15. **Northfield:** First Ch., 29.37.

IOWA—$34.52.
Long Creek: Zion Welsh Ch., 4.52. **Lyons:** First Ch., 10. **Osage:** 15. Woman's Home Miss'y Union, 5.

MISSOURI—$9.62.
Springfield: First Ch., add'l, 9.62.

SOUTH DAKOTA—$25.11.
Brentwood: 4. Woman's Home Miss'y Union, 21.11.

NEBRASKA—$52.
Doniphan: So. Platte Ch., 2. **Inland:** German Ch., 5. **Omaha:** Saratoga Ch., 5. **Pierce:** 25. **Spencer:** 15.

KANSAS—$993.94.
Athol: First Ch., 6.29. **Douglass:** 5.67. **Haven:** 2. **Milford:** 3. **Mt. Hope:** 5.25. **Sedgwick:** 3.15. **Udall:** 1.30. **Wakefield:** **Madura** Ch., 6. **Wichita:** Mrs. A. L. Redder, 525; E. A. Burton, 100; R. L. Holmes, 50. Burton St. John, 35. P. M. Anderson, 29.03; F. D. Aley, 25; C. A. Baker, 25; Miss Eliz. Hodgson, 25; Miss Marjorie Allman, 10; Miss Winnie Allman, 10; Miss Olive Norton, 5; Miss Valley Nelson, 5; Miss Vera Taft, 5; Miss Grace Hodgson, 5; Miss Esther Wilkinson, 5; Mr. Chas. L. Smith, 5; Alumni Association, 23; Dwight Isely, 12; Wichita Automobile Co., 10; Jas. Bowman, 10; Miss Ethel Marsh, 10; C. S. Burton, 10; Miss Maud Kilgore, 10; Roy Hodgson, 10. Woman's Home Miss'y Union, 2.25.

COLORADO—$75.77.
Crested Butte: Union Ch., 2. Woman's Home Miss'y Union, 73.77.

WASHINGTON—$50.
Seattle: Pilgrim Ch., 50. Total, $3,952.43.

Congregational Board of Ministerial Relief

B. H. Fancher, Treasurer

Receipts for September, 1909

ARIZONA—$50.
Prescott: Mr. W. E. Hazeltine, 50.

CALIFORNIA—$2.65.
Norwalk: 2.65.

COLORADO—$34.31.
Denver: Mrs. W. S. Ward, 1; W. M. S., 27.31. **Loveland:** Rev. John D. Grosz, 1. **Montrose:** W. M. U., 5.

CONNECTICUT—$598.81.
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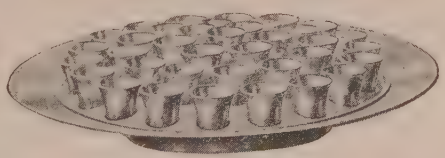

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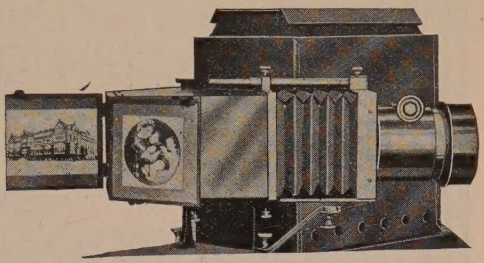

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